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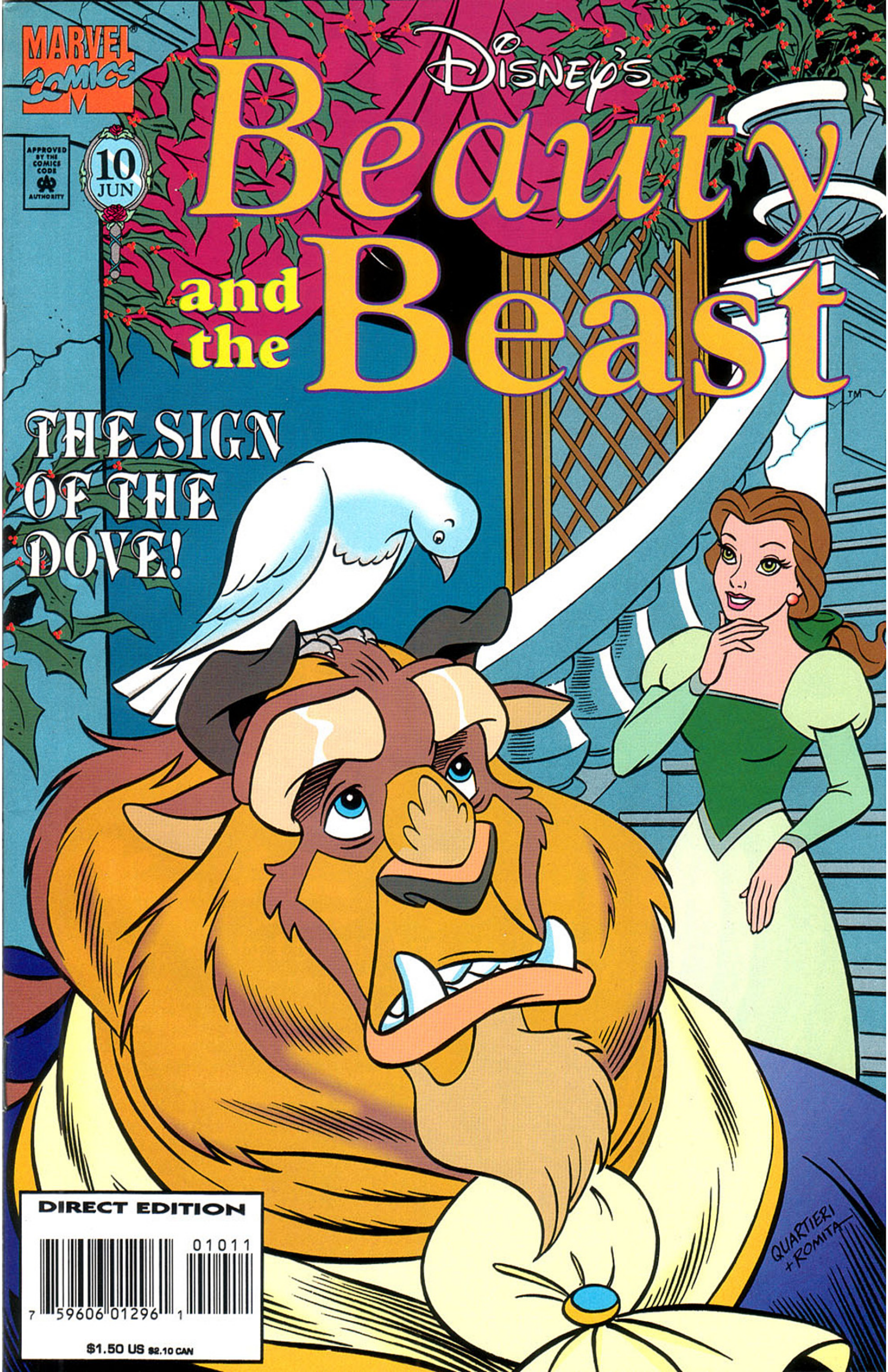
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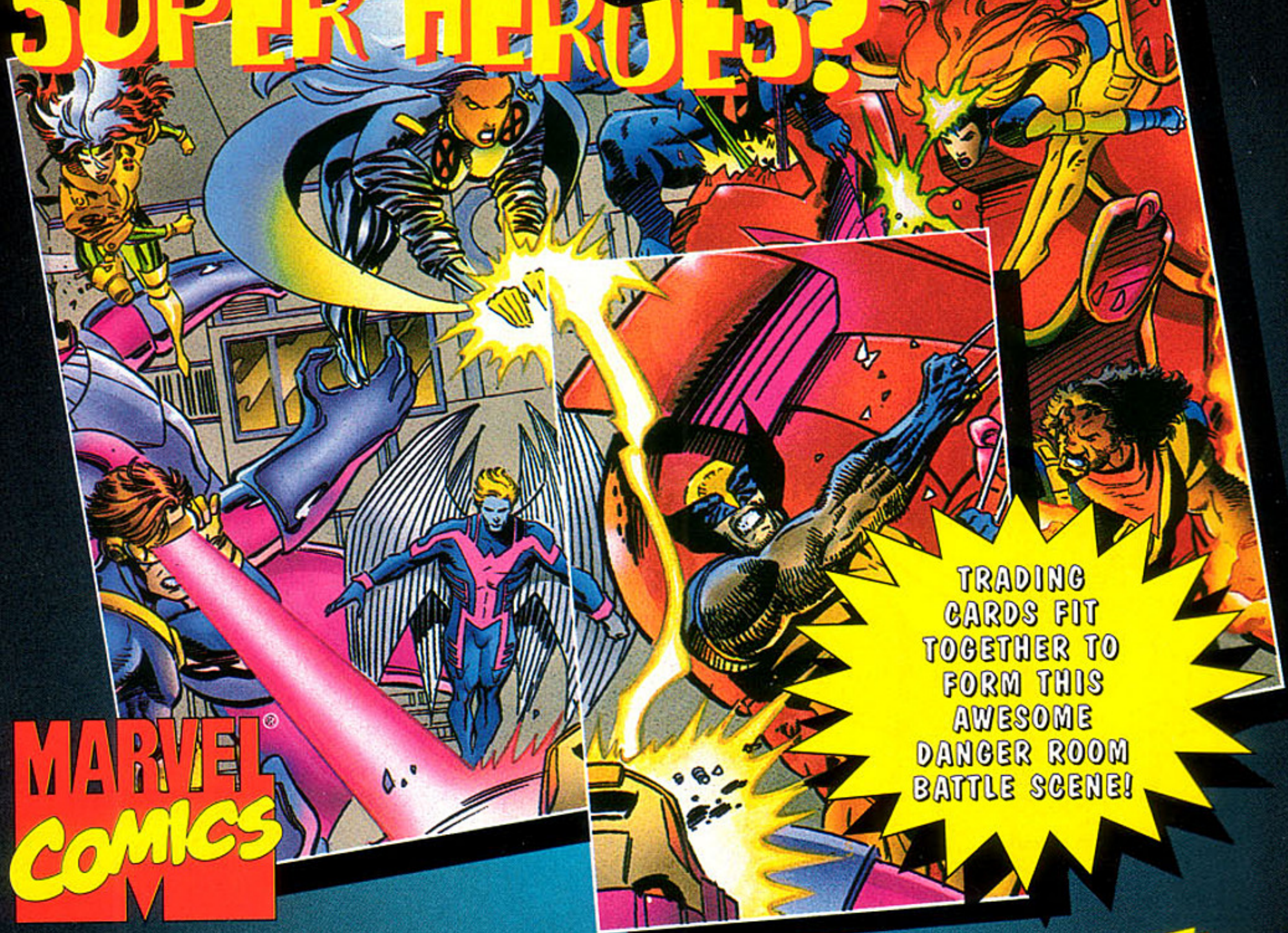
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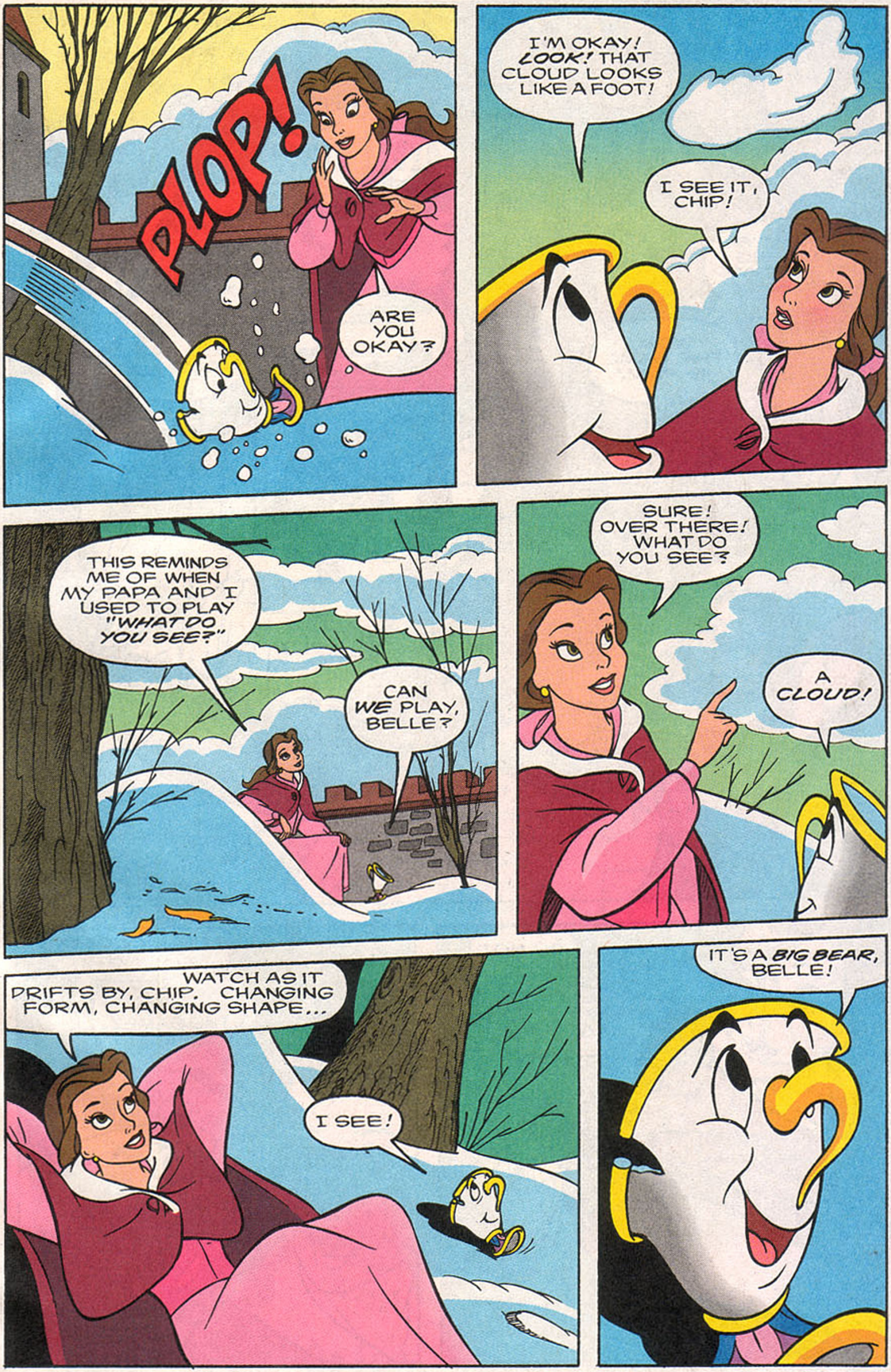
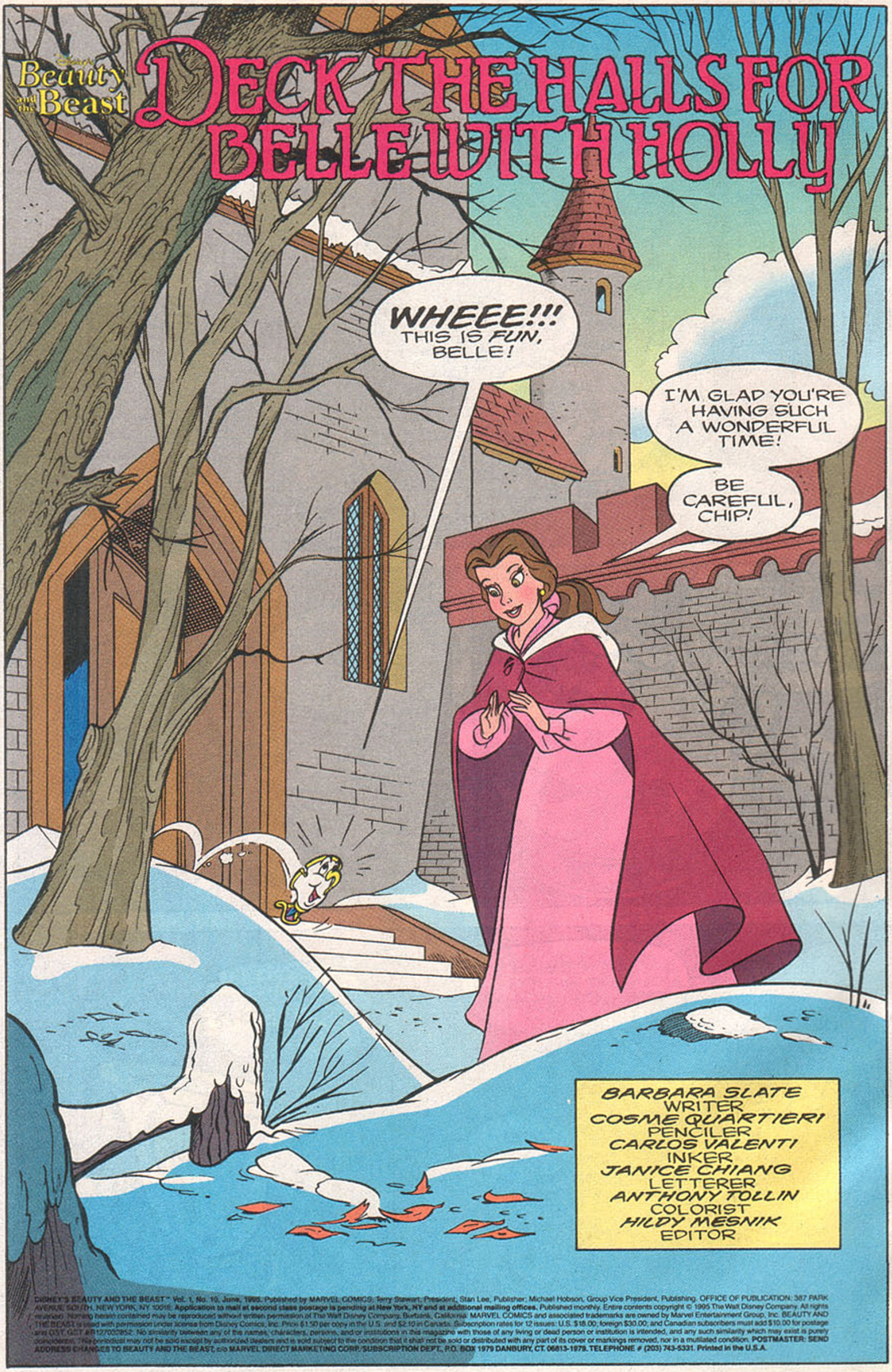

PLOP!
ARE YOU OKAY?
I'M OKAY! LOOK! THAT CLOUD LOOKS LIKE A FOOT!
I SEE IT, CHIP!
THIS REMINDS ME OF WHEN MY PAPA AND I USED TO PLAY "WHAT DO YOU SEE?"
CAN WE PLAY, BELLE?
SURE! OVER THERE! WHAT DO YOU SEE?
A CLOUD!
WATCH AS IT DRIFTS BY, CHIP. CHANGING FORM, CHANGING SHAPE...
I SEE!
IT'S A BIG BEAR, BELLE!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I'M GLAD YOU'RE HAVING SUCH A WONDERFUL TIME!
BE CAREFUL, CHIP!

DECK THE HALLS FOR BELLE WITH HOLLY

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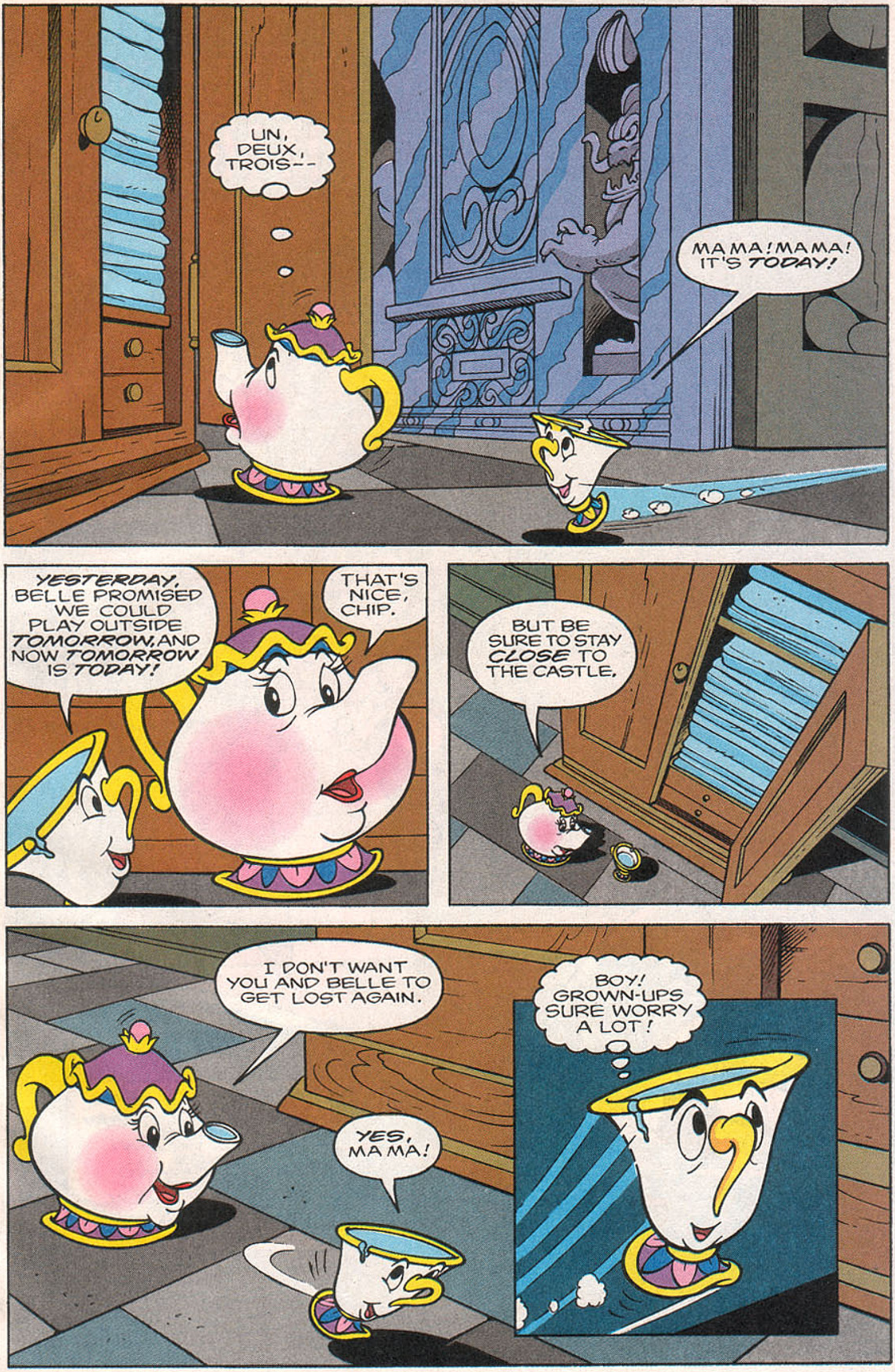
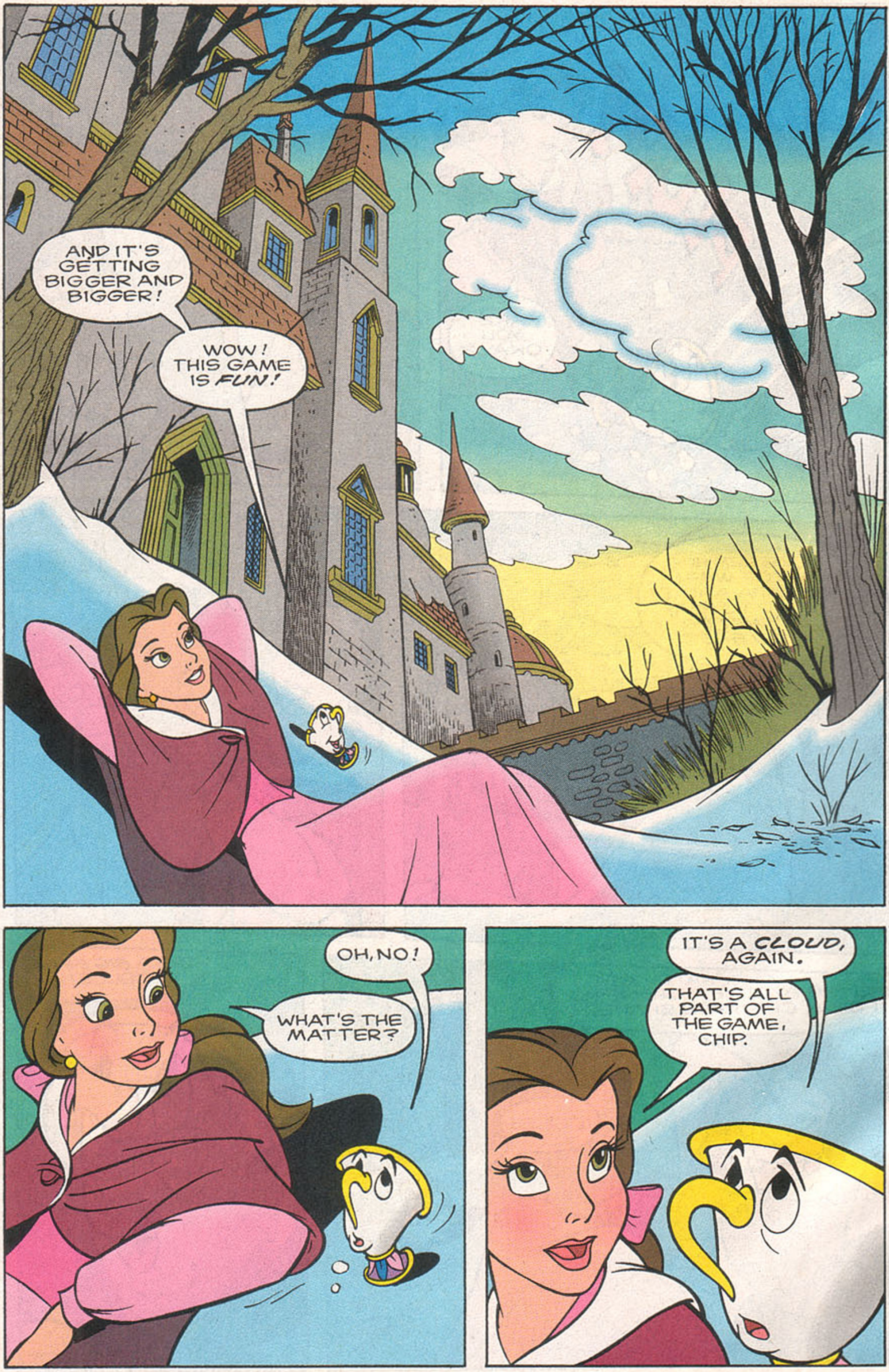
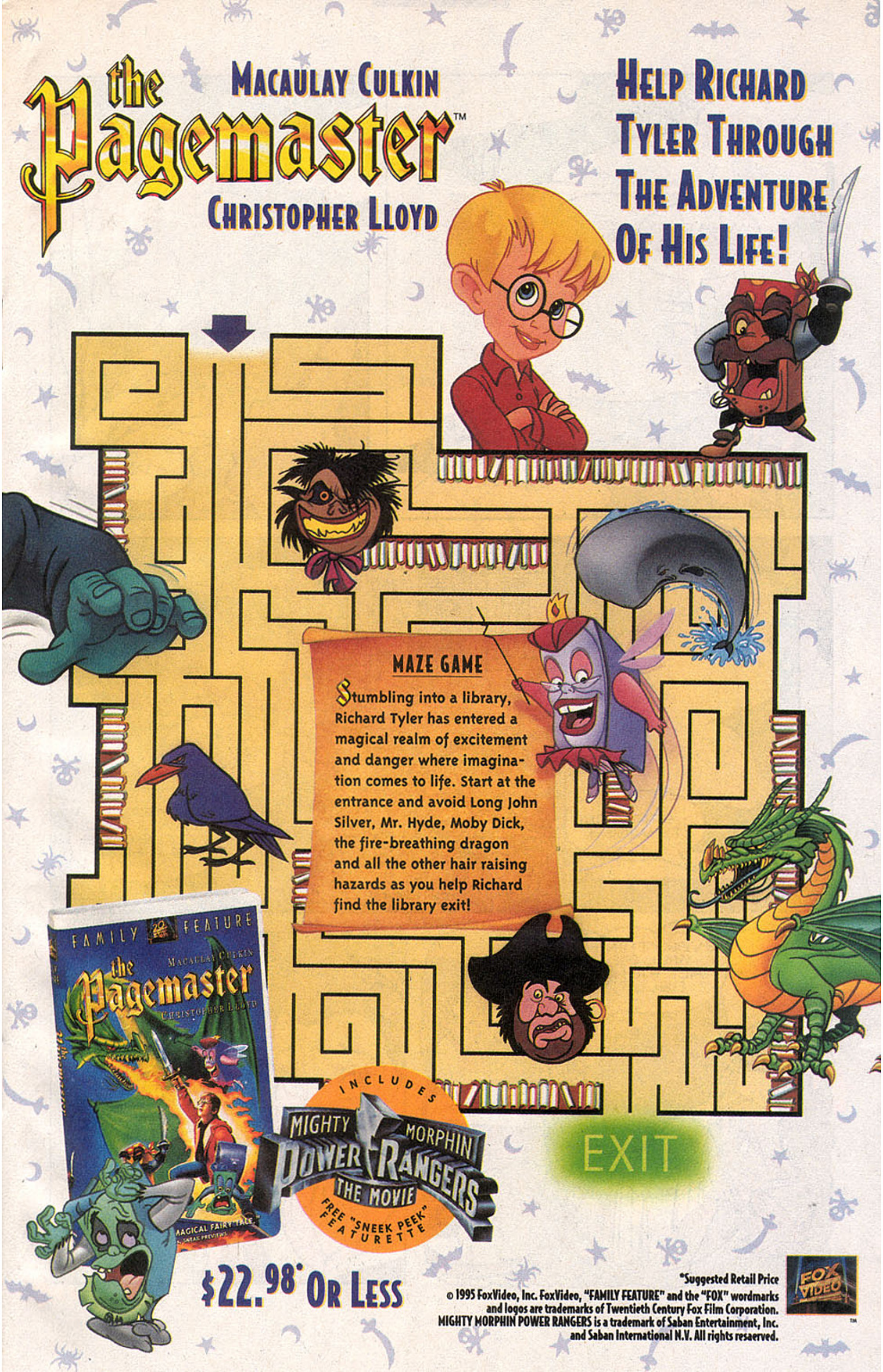

UN, DEUX, TROIS--
MA MA! MA MA! IT'S *TODAY!*
YESTERDAY, BELLE PROMISED WE COULD PLAY OUTSIDE *TOMORROW*, AND NOW *TOMORROW* IS *TODAY!*
THAT'S NICE, CHIP.
BUT BE SURE TO STAY *CLOSE* TO THE CASTLE.
I DON'T WANT YOU AND BELLE TO GET LOST AGAIN.
YES, MA MA!
BOY! GROWN-UPS SURE WORRY A LOT!


AND IT'S GETTING BIGGER AND BIGGER!
WOW! THIS GAME IS *FUN*!
OH, NO!
WHAT'S THE MATTER?
IT'S A *CLOUD*, AGAIN.
THAT'S ALL PART OF THE GAME, CHIP.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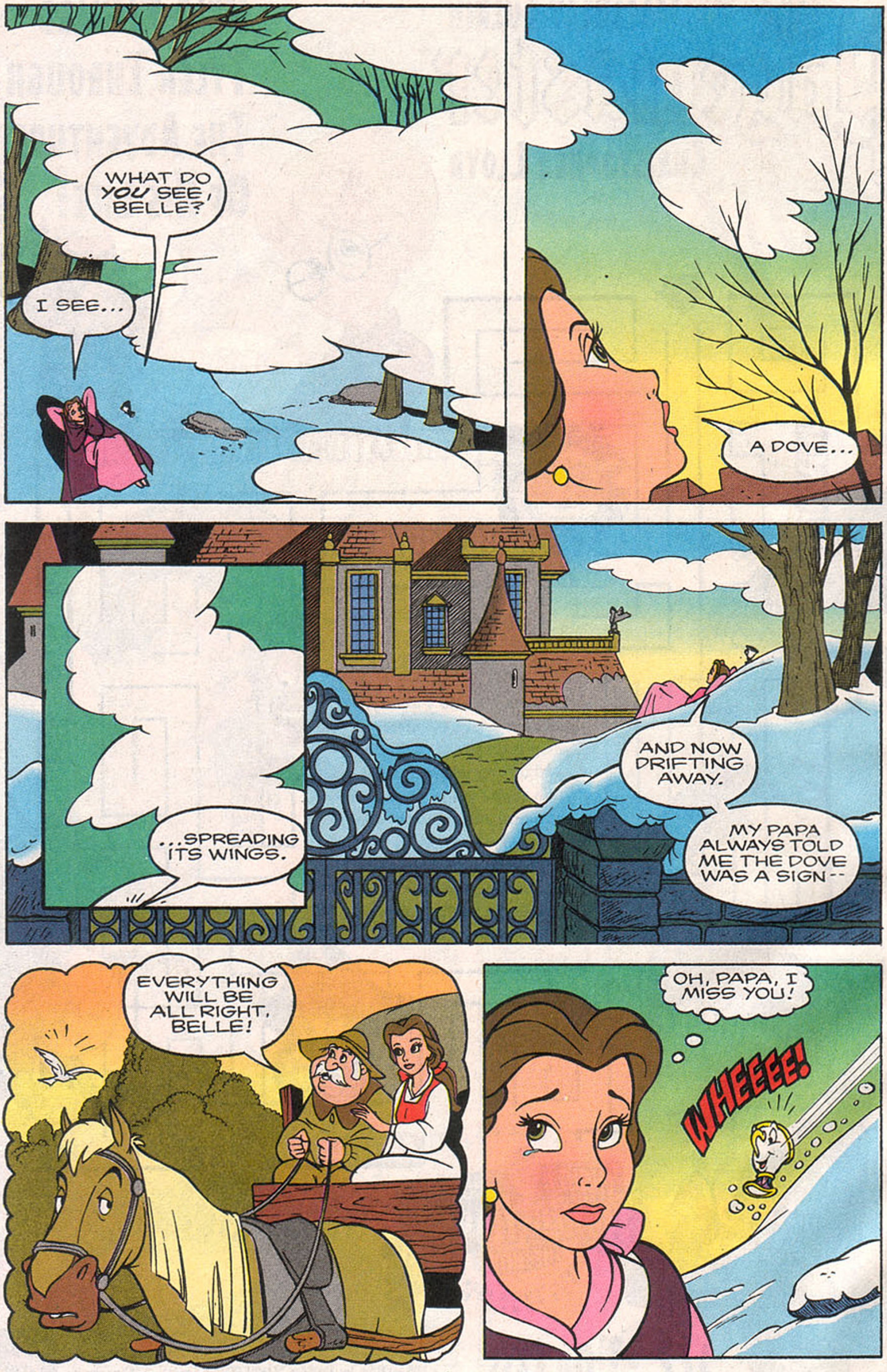
WHAT DO *YOU* SEE, BELLE?
I SEE...
A DOVE...
...SPREADING ITS WINGS.
AND NOW DRIFTING AWAY.
MY PAPA ALWAYS TOLD ME THE DOVE WAS A SIGN--
EVERYTHING WILL BE ALL RIGHT, BELLE!
OH, PAPA, I MISS YOU!
WHEEEEE!

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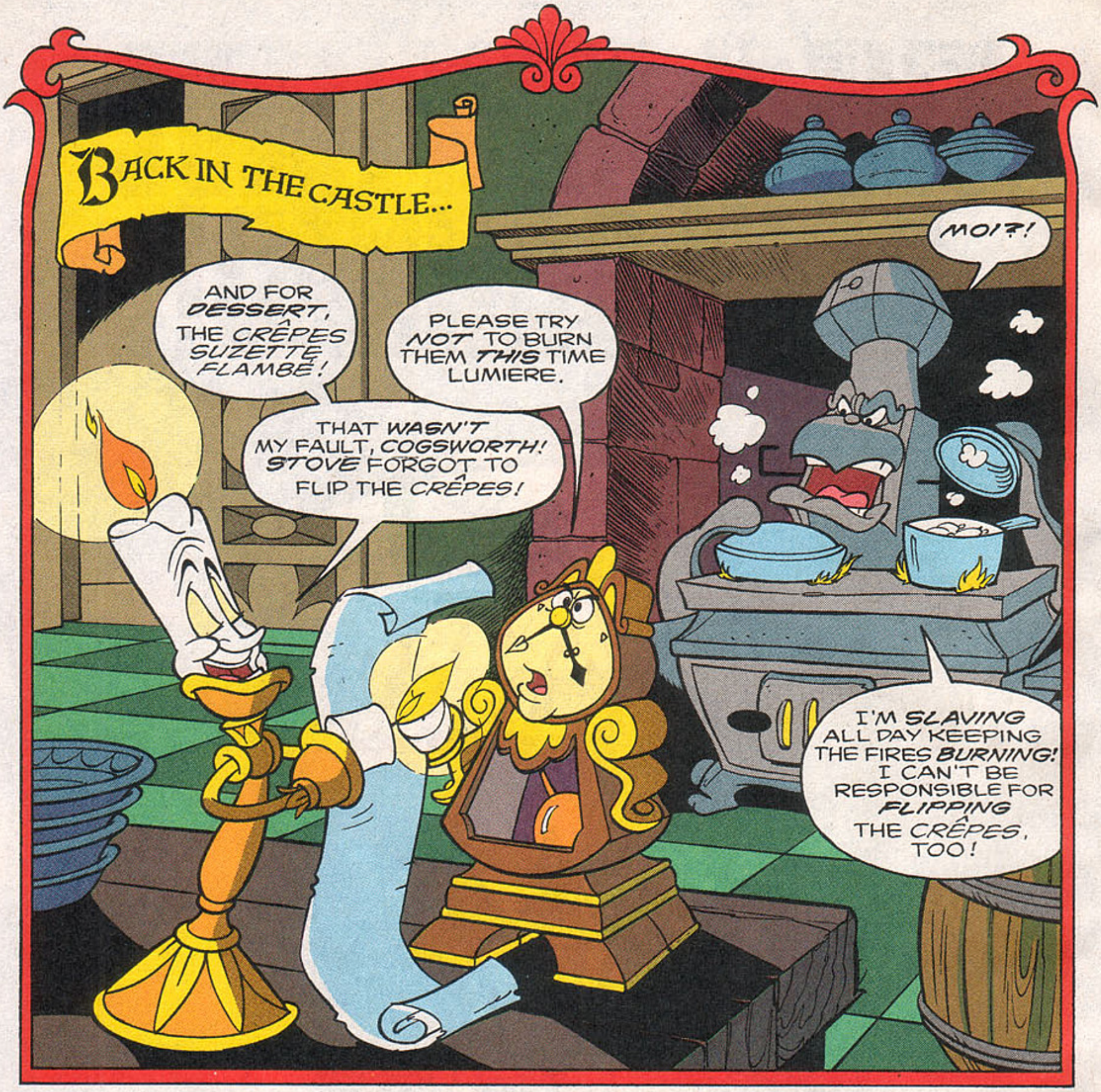
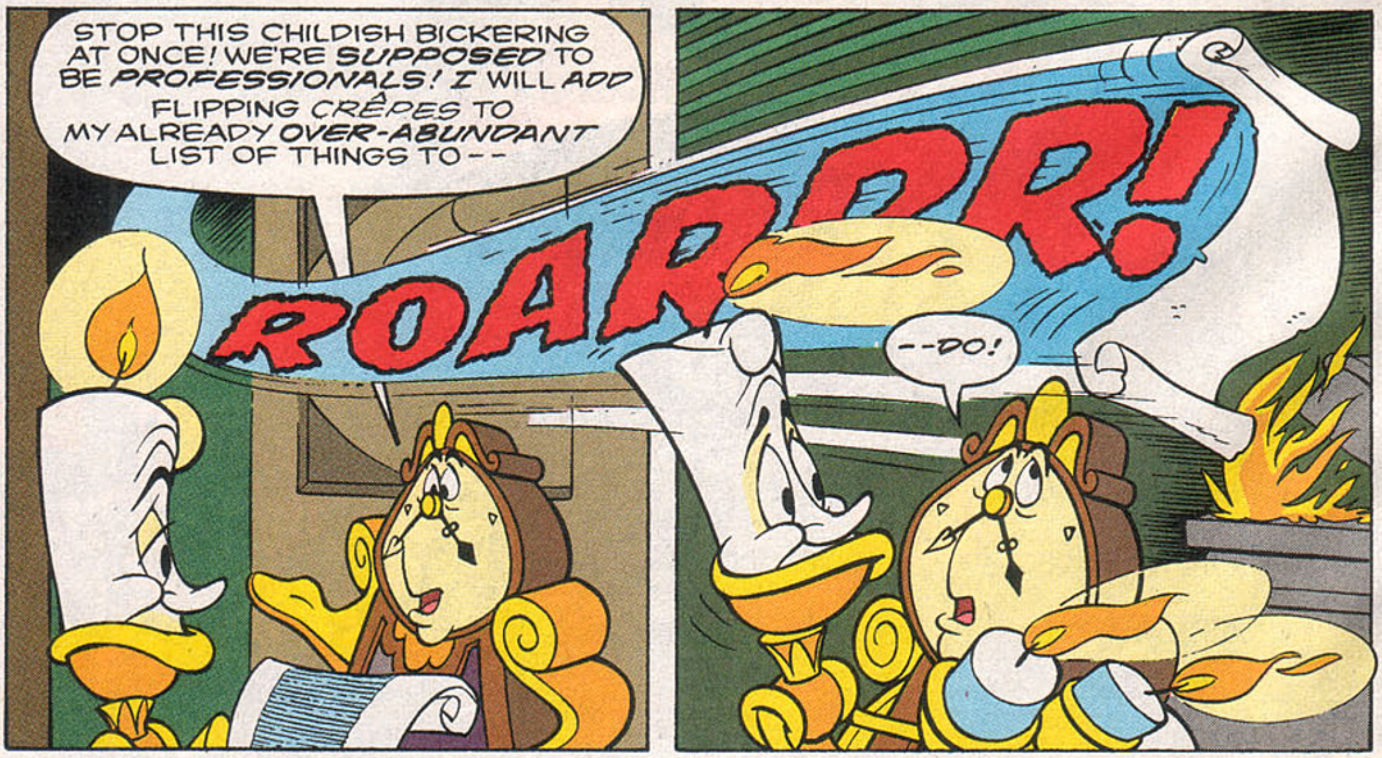

BACK IN THE CASTLE...
AND FOR DESSERT, THE CRÊPES SUZETTE FLAMBÉ!
PLEASE TRY NOT TO BURN THEM THIS TIME LUMIERE.
THAT WASN'T MY FAULT, COGSWORTH! STOVE FORGOT TO FLIP THE CRÊPES!
MOI?!
I'M SLAVING ALL DAY KEEPING THE FIRES BURNING! I CAN'T BE RESPONSIBLE FOR FLIPPING THE CRÊPES, TOO!


STOP THIS CHILDISH BICKERING AT ONCE! WE'RE SUPPOSED TO BE PROFESSIONALS! I WILL ADD FLIPPING CRÊPES TO MY ALREADY OVER-ABUNDANT LIST OF THINGS TO --
ROARRR!
--DO!

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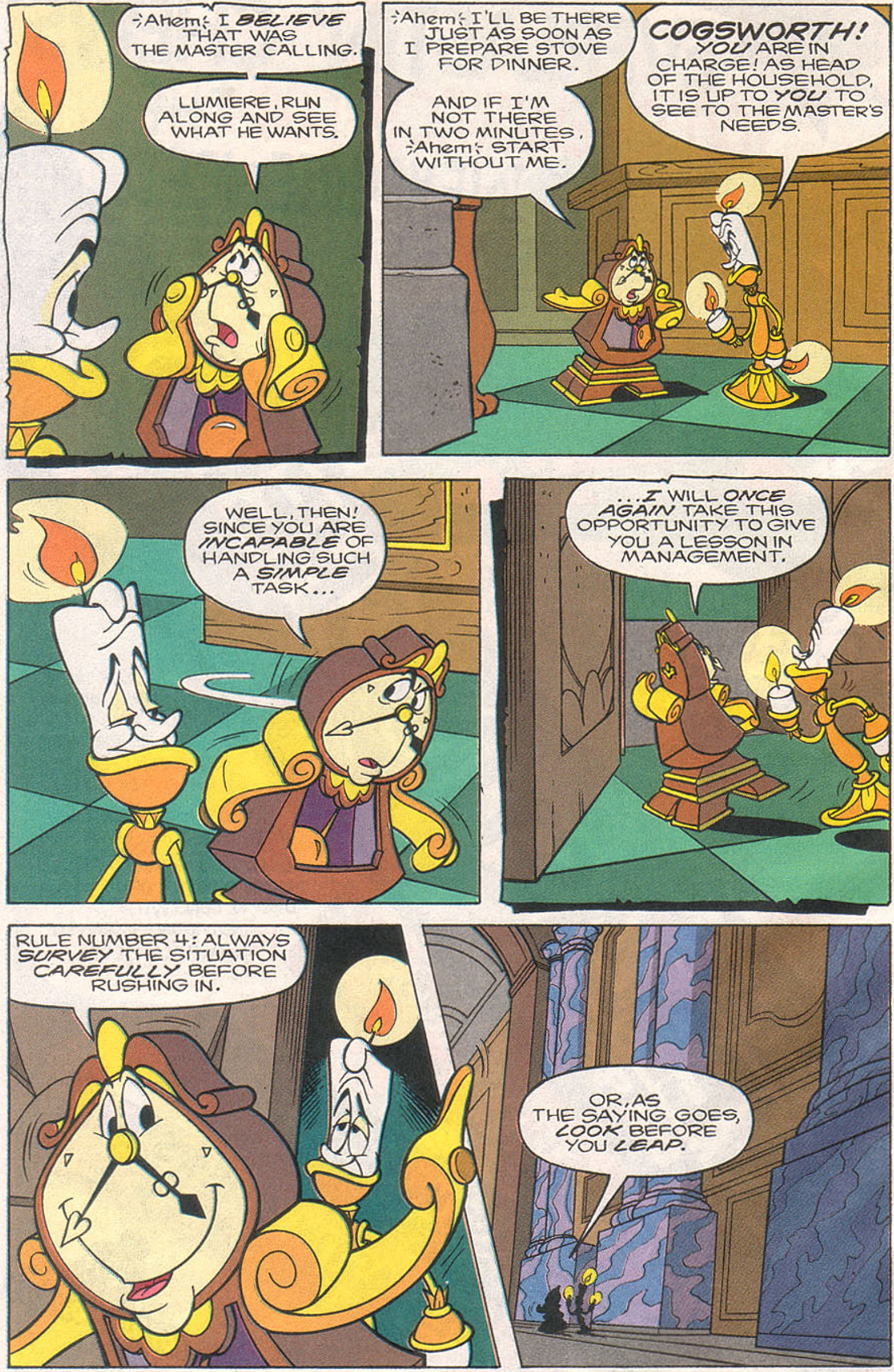
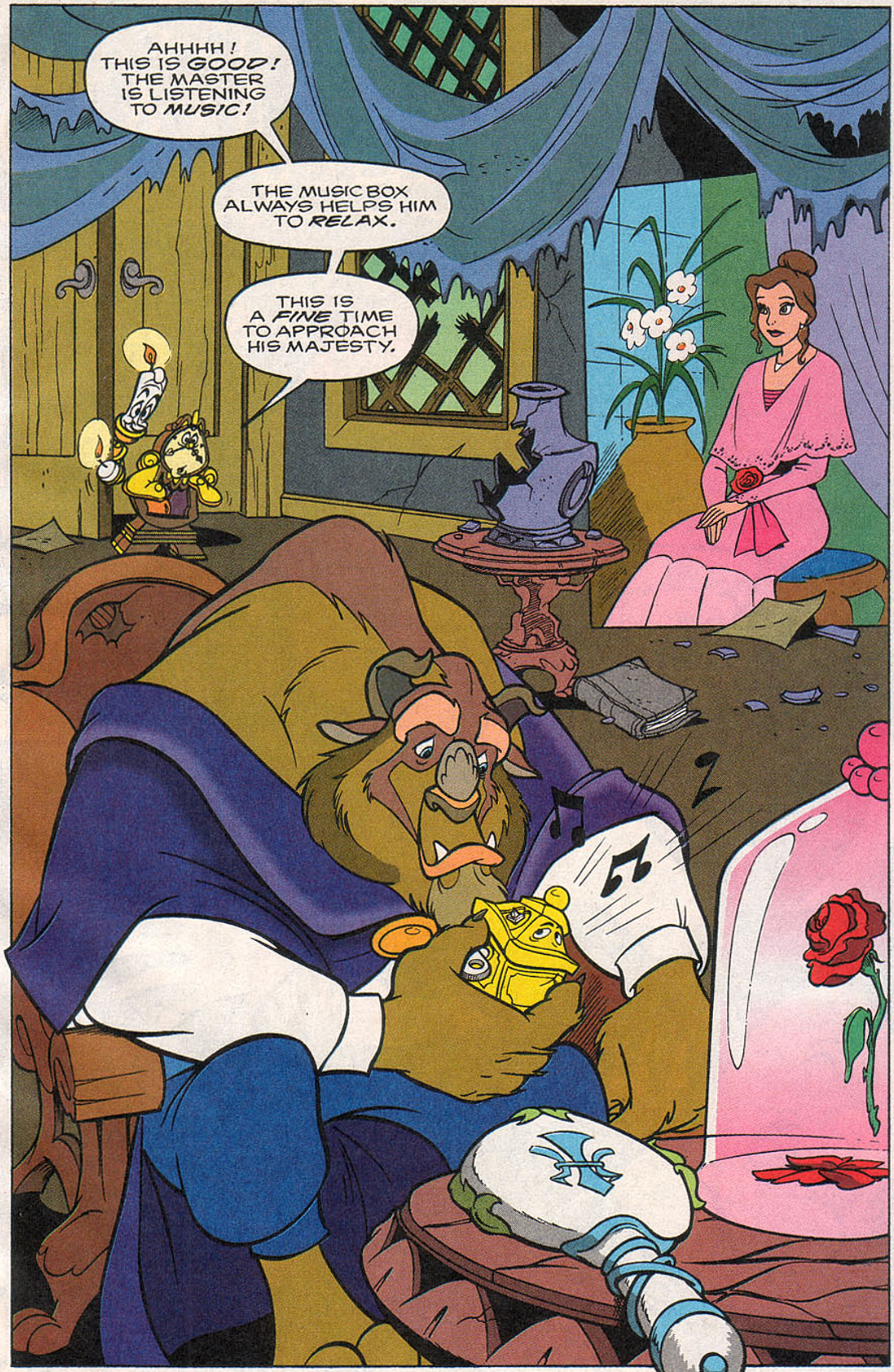

-Ahem- I *BELIEVE* THAT WAS THE MASTER CALLING.
LUMIERE, RUN ALONG AND SEE WHAT HE WANTS.
-Ahem- I'LL BE THERE JUST AS SOON AS I PREPARE STOVE FOR DINNER.
AND IF I'M NOT THERE IN TWO MINUTES, -Ahem- START WITHOUT ME.
COGSWORTH! *YOU* ARE IN CHARGE! AS HEAD OF THE HOUSEHOLD, IT IS UP TO *YOU* TO SEE TO THE MASTER'S NEEDS.
WELL, THEN! SINCE YOU ARE *INCAPABLE* OF HANDLING SUCH A *SIMPLE* TASK...
...*I* WILL *ONCE AGAIN* TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO GIVE YOU A LESSON IN MANAGEMENT.
RULE NUMBER 4: ALWAYS *SURVEY* THE SITUATION *CAREFULLY* BEFORE RUSHING IN.
OR, AS THE SAYING GOES, *LOOK* BEFORE YOU *LEAP*.


AHHHH! THIS IS *GOOD*! THE MASTER IS LISTENING TO *MUSIC*!
THE MUSIC BOX ALWAYS HELPS HIM TO *RELAX*.
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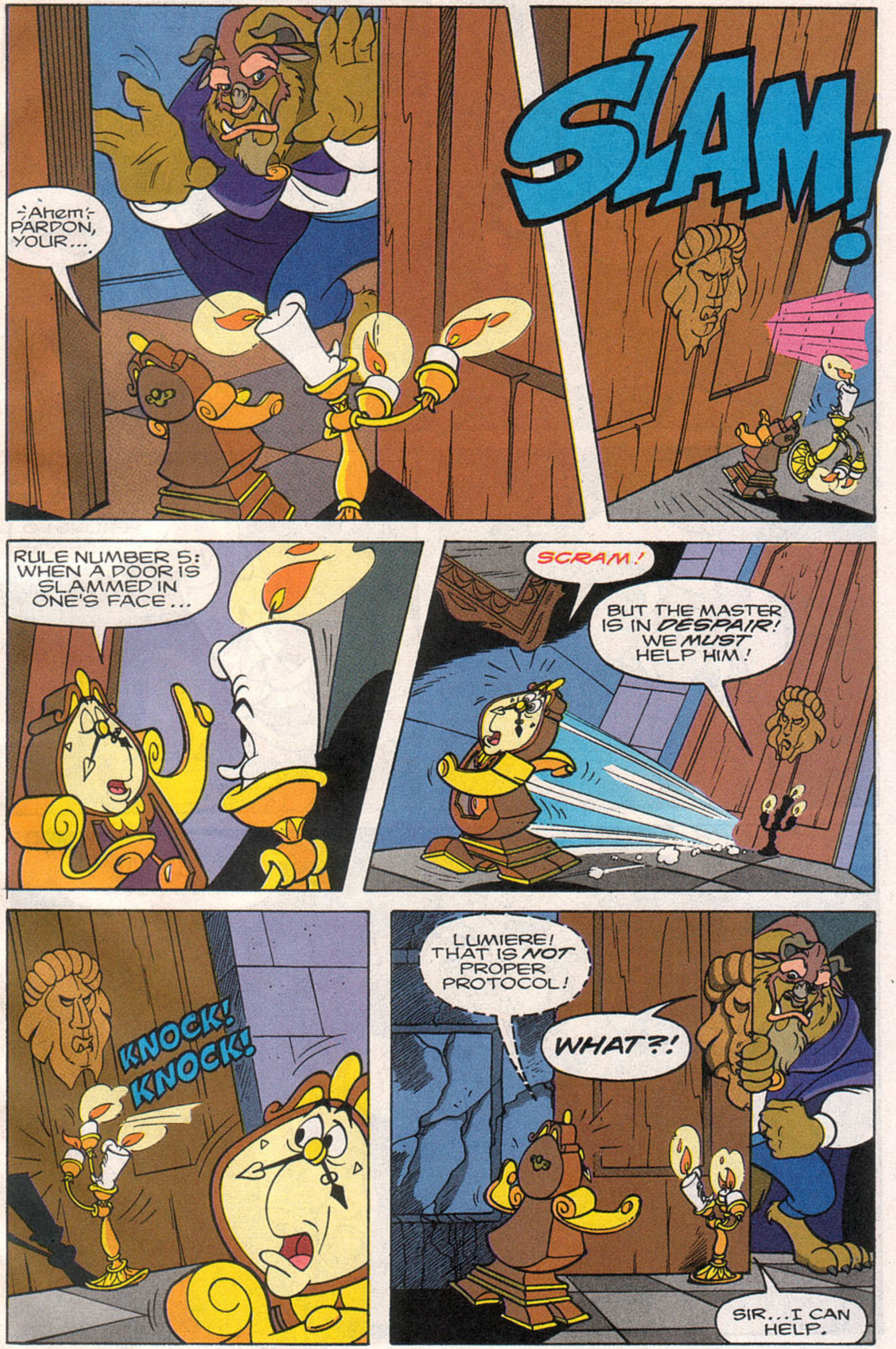
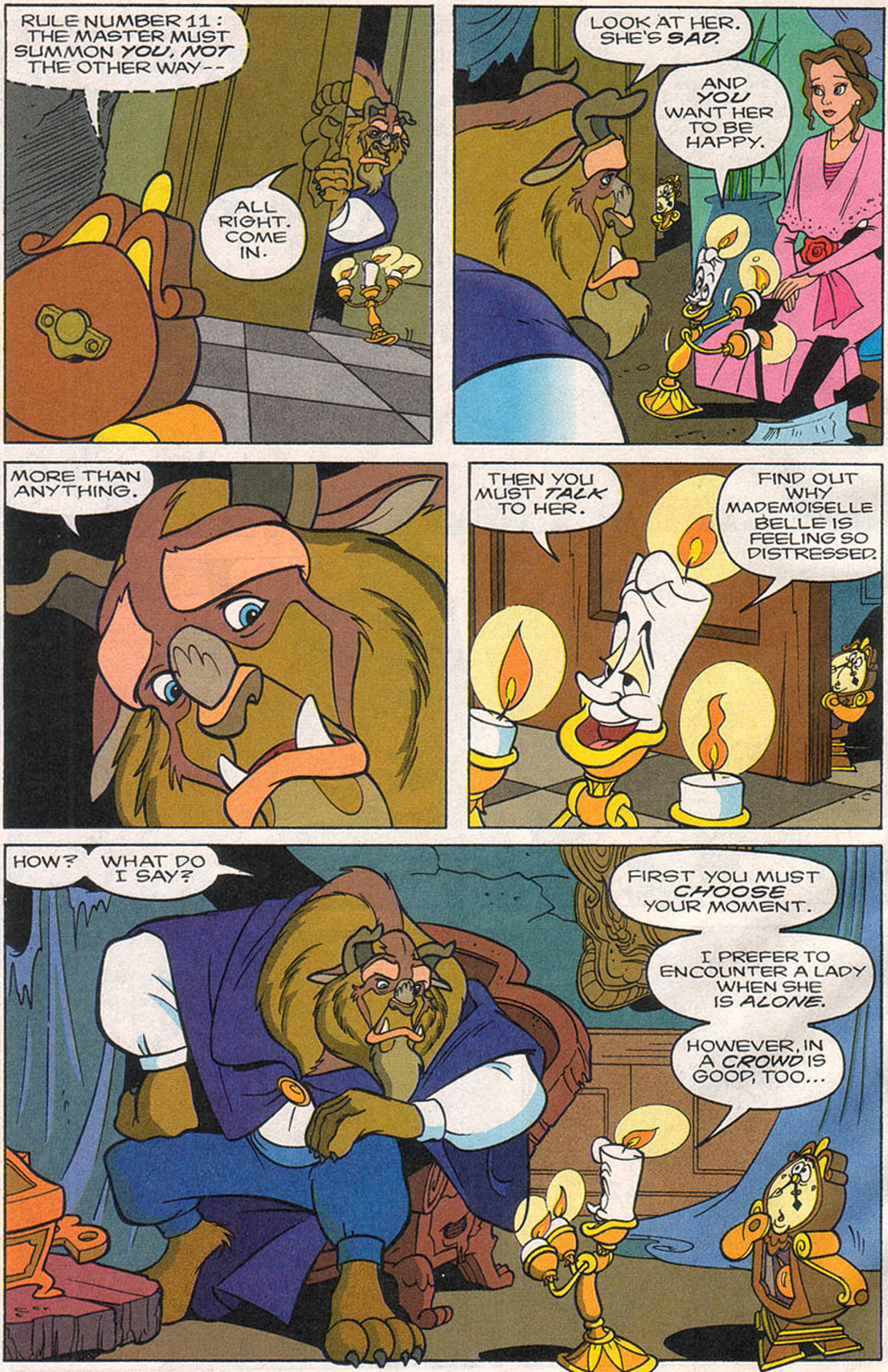
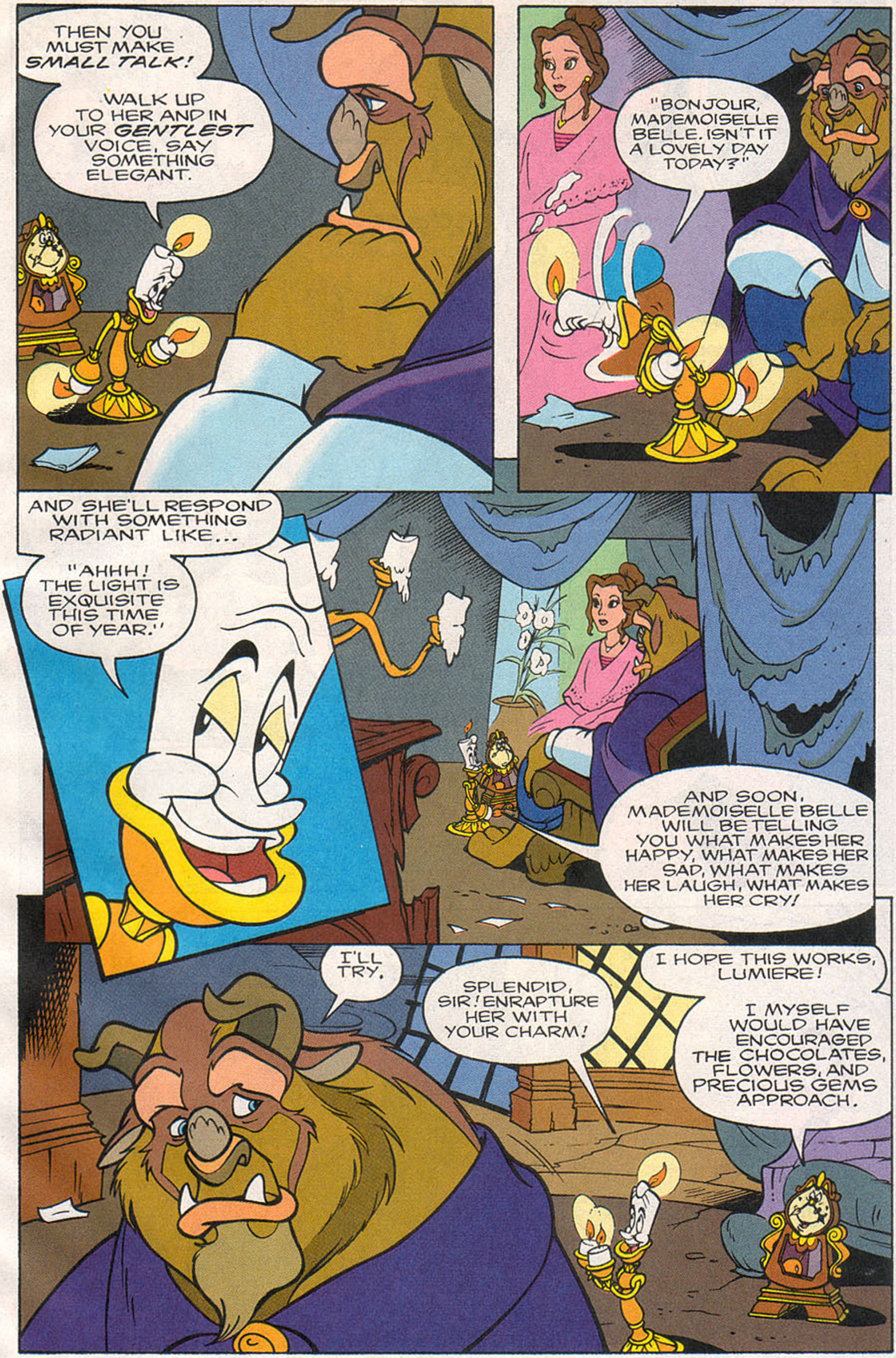
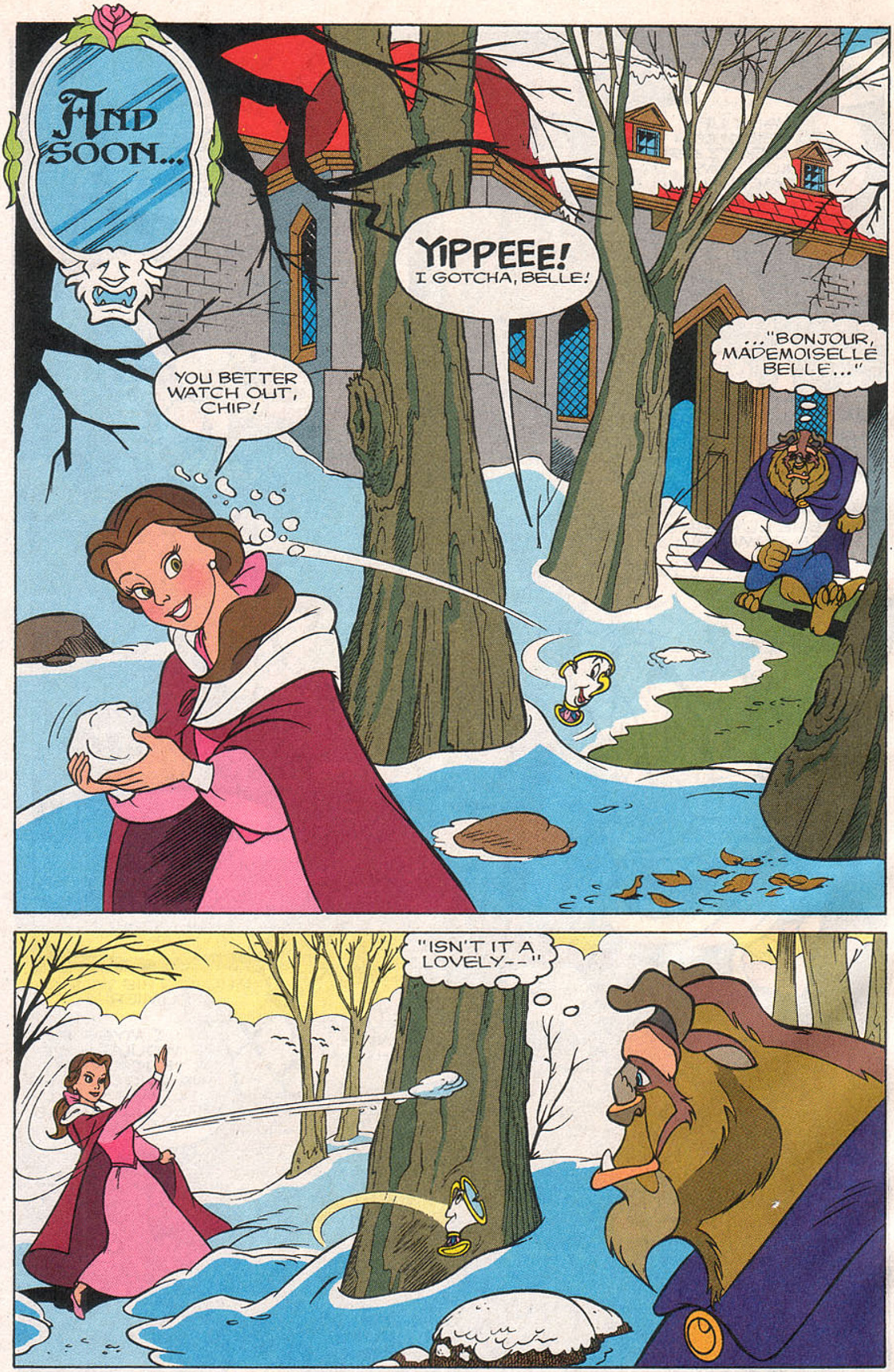
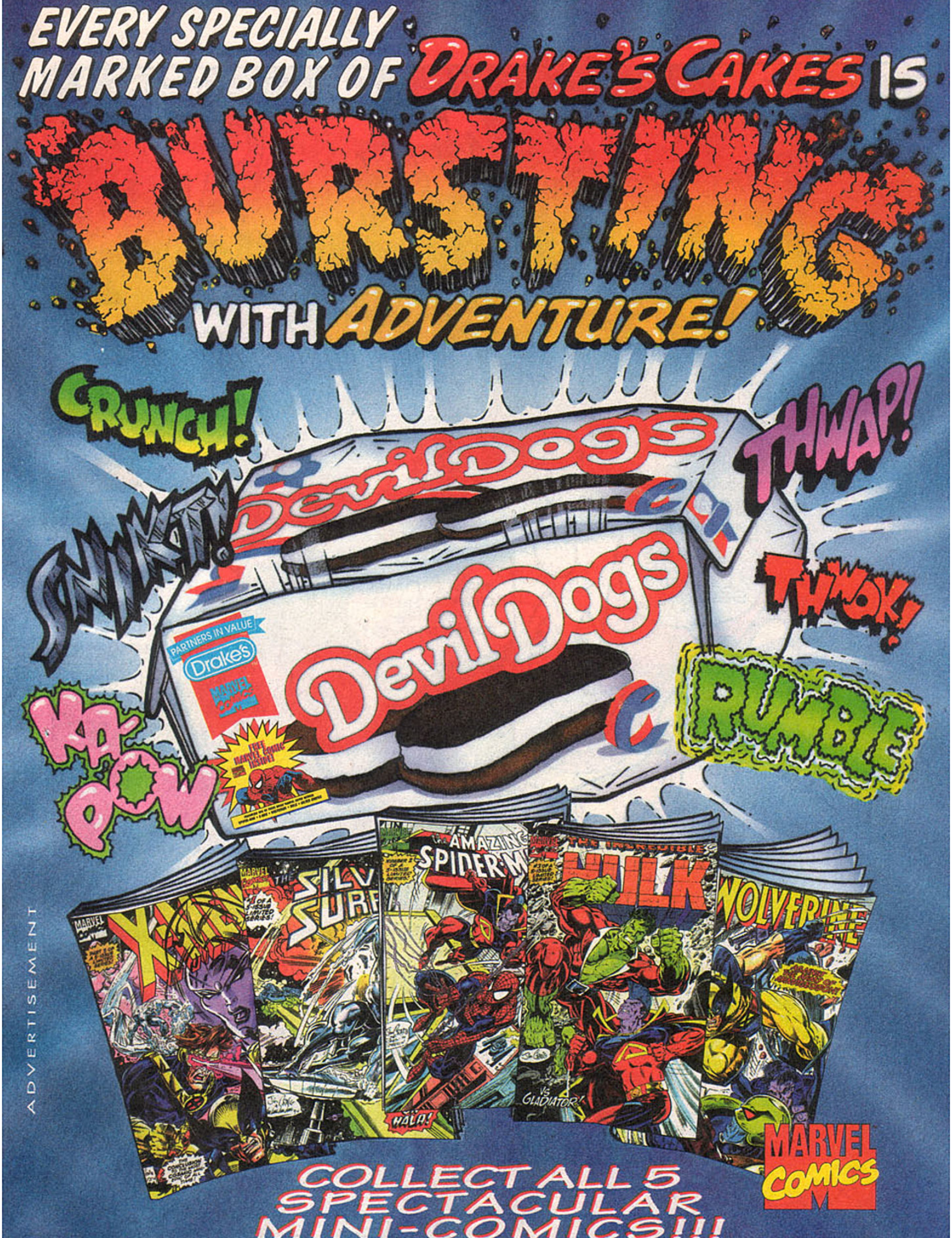

-Ahem- PARDON, YOUR...
SLAM!
RULE NUMBER 5: WHEN A DOOR IS SLAMMED IN ONE'S FACE...
SCRAM!
BUT THE MASTER IS IN *DESPAIR*! WE *MUST* HELP HIM!
KNOCK! KNOCK!
LUMIERE! THAT IS *NOT* PROPER PROTOCOL!
WHAT?!
SIR... I CAN HELP.


RULE NUMBER 11: THE MASTER MUST SUMMON YOU, NOT THE OTHER WAY--
ALL RIGHT. COME IN.
LOOK AT HER. SHE'S SAD.
AND YOU WANT HER TO BE HAPPY.
MORE THAN ANYTHING.
THEN YOU MUST TALK TO HER.
FIND OUT WHY MADEMOISELLE BELLE IS FEELING SO DISTRESSED.
HOW?
WHAT DO I SAY?
FIRST YOU MUST CHOOSE YOUR MOMENT.
I PREFER TO ENCOUNTER A LADY WHEN SHE IS ALONE.
HOWEVER, IN A CROWD IS GOOD, TOO...


THEN YOU MUST MAKE *SMALL TALK!*
WALK UP TO HER AND IN YOUR *GENTLEST* VOICE, SAY SOMETHING ELEGANT.
"BONJOUR, MADEMOISELLE BELLE. ISN'T IT A LOVELY DAY TODAY?"
AND SHE'LL RESPOND WITH SOMETHING RADIANT LIKE...
"AHHH! THE LIGHT IS EXQUISITE THIS TIME OF YEAR."
AND SOON, MADEMOISELLE BELLE WILL BE TELLING YOU WHAT MAKES HER HAPPY, WHAT MAKES HER SAD, WHAT MAKES HER LAUGH, WHAT MAKES HER CRY!
I'LL TRY.
SPLENDID, SIR! ENRAPTURE HER WITH YOUR CHARM!
I HOPE THIS WORKS, LUMIERE!
I MYSELF WOULD HAVE ENCOURAGED THE CHOCOLATES, FLOWERS, AND PRECIOUS GEMS APPROACH.


AND SOON...
YIPPEEE! I GOTCHA, BELLE!
YOU BETTER WATCH OUT, CHIP!
..."BONJOUR, MADEMOISELLE BELLE..."
"ISN'T IT A LOVELY--"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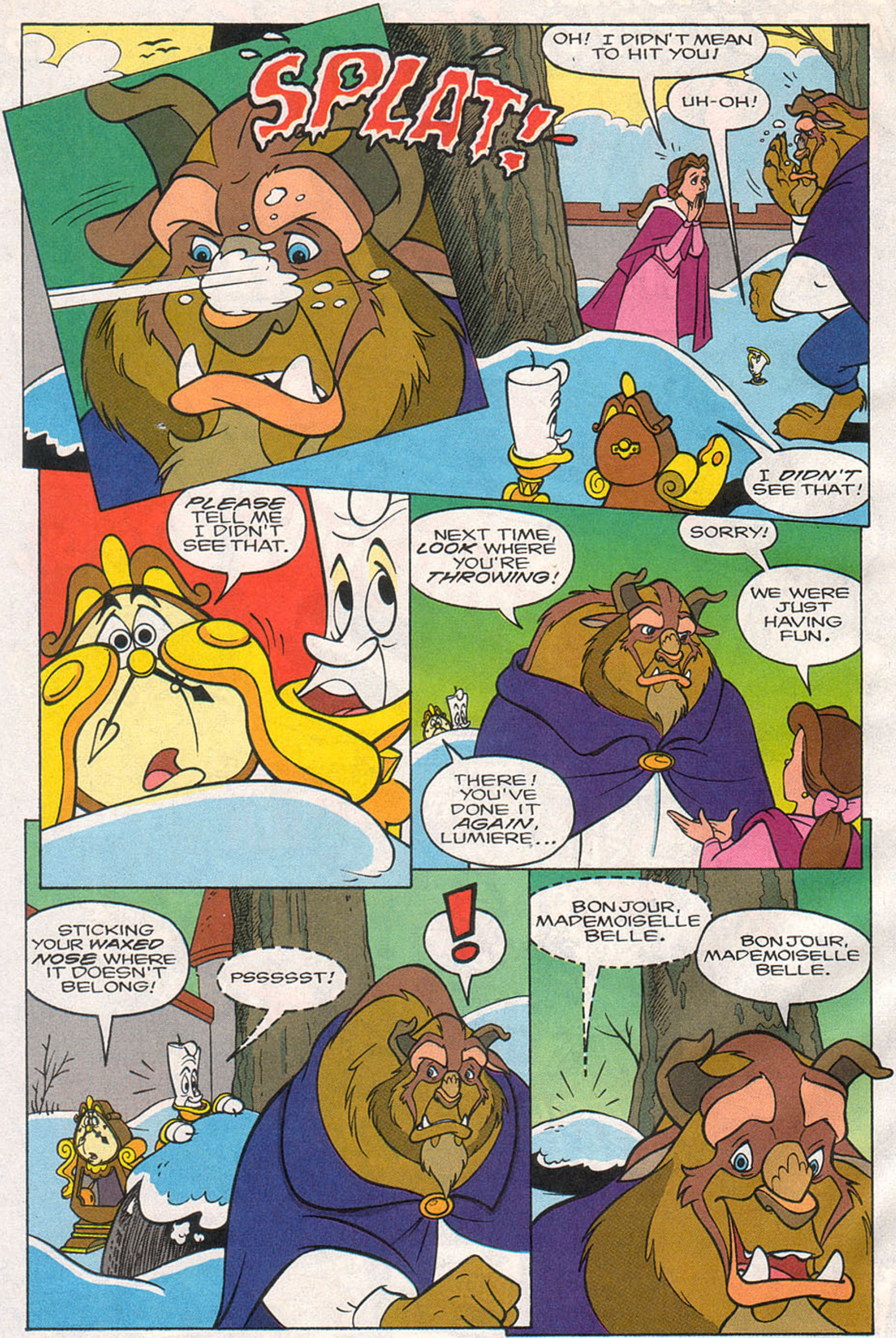
SPLAT!
OH! I DIDN'T MEAN TO HIT YOU!
UH-OH!
I DIDN'T SEE THAT!
PLEASE TELL ME I DIDN'T SEE THAT.
NEXT TIME, LOOK WHERE YOU'RE THROWING!
SORRY!
WE WERE JUST HAVING FUN.
THERE! YOU'VE DONE IT AGAIN, LUMIERE...
STICKING YOUR WAXED NOSE WHERE IT DOESN'T BELONG!
PSSSSST!
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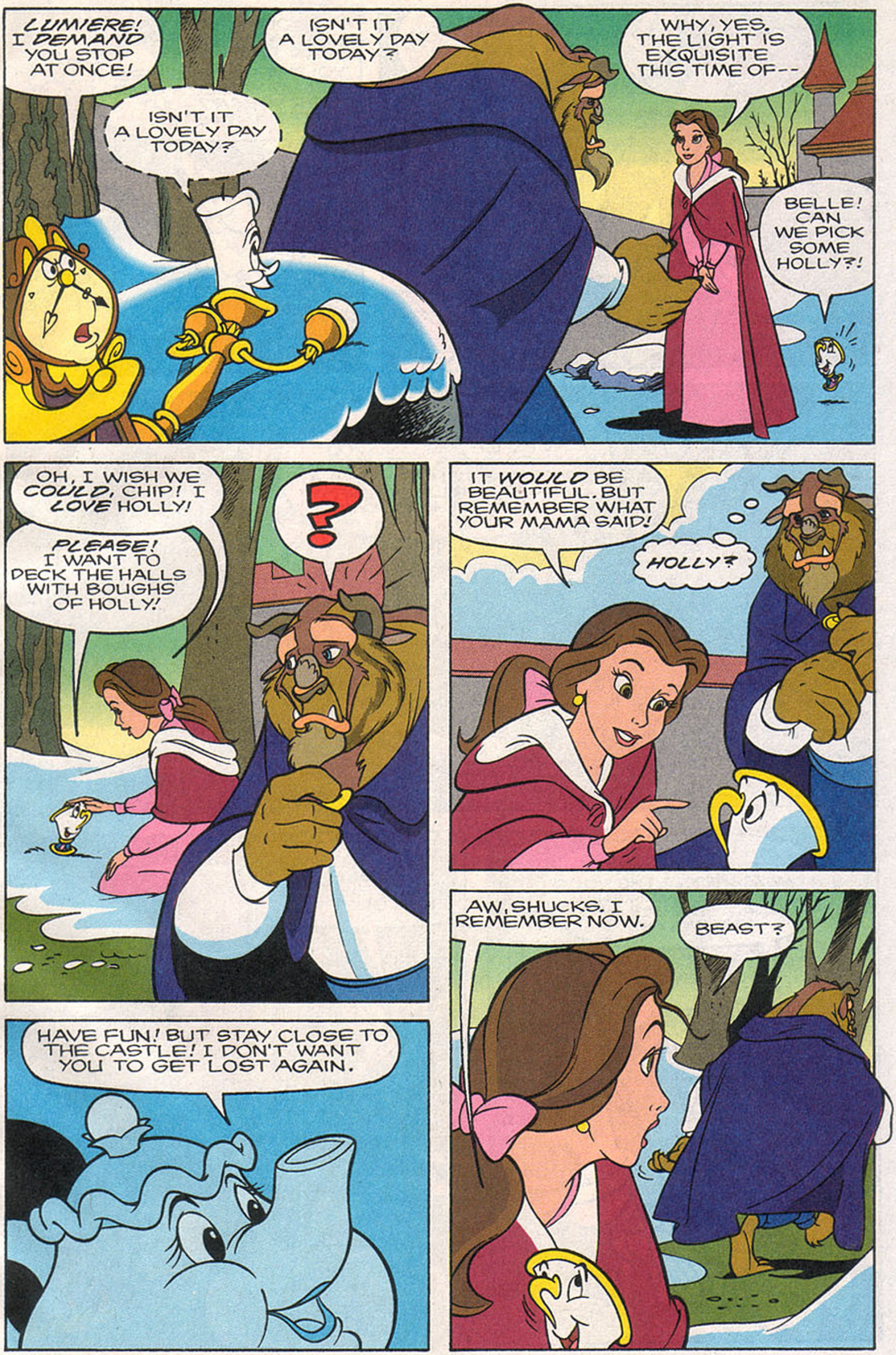
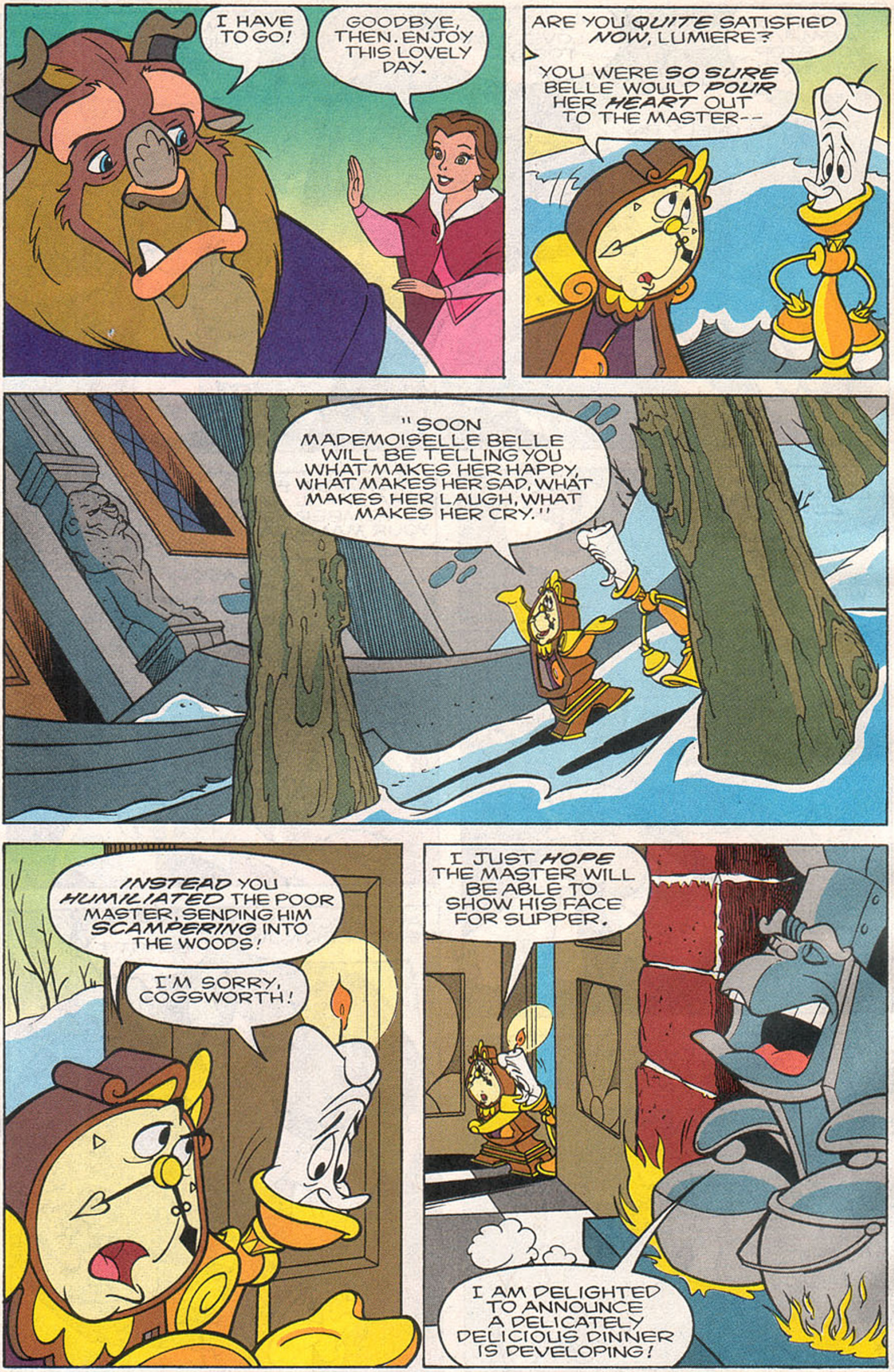

LUMIERE! I *DEMAND* YOU STOP AT ONCE!
ISN'T IT A LOVELY DAY TODAY?
ISN'T IT A LOVELY DAY TODAY?
WHY, YES. THE LIGHT IS EXQUISITE THIS TIME OF--
BELLE! CAN WE PICK SOME HOLLY?!
OH, I WISH WE *COULD*, CHIP! I *LOVE* HOLLY!
PLEASE! I WANT TO DECK THE HALLS WITH BOUGHS OF HOLLY!
?
IT *WOULD* BE BEAUTIFUL. BUT REMEMBER WHAT YOUR MAMA SAID!
HOLLY?
HAVE FUN! BUT STAY CLOSE TO THE CASTLE! I DON'T WANT YOU TO GET LOST AGAIN.
AW, SHUCKS. I REMEMBER NOW.
BEAST?


I HAVE TO GO!
GOODBYE, THEN. ENJOY THIS LOVELY DAY.
ARE YOU *QUITE* SATISFIED *NOW*, LUMIERE?
YOU WERE ***SO SURE*** BELLE WOULD ***POUR*** HER ***HEART*** OUT TO THE MASTER--
"SOON MADEMOISELLE BELLE WILL BE TELLING YOU WHAT MAKES HER HAPPY, WHAT MAKES HER SAD, WHAT MAKES HER LAUGH, WHAT MAKES HER CRY."
INSTEAD YOU ***HUMILIATED*** THE POOR MASTER, SENDING HIM ***SCAMPERING*** INTO THE WOODS!
I'M SORRY, COGSWORTH!
I JUST *HOPE* THE MASTER WILL BE ABLE TO SHOW HIS FACE FOR SUPPER.
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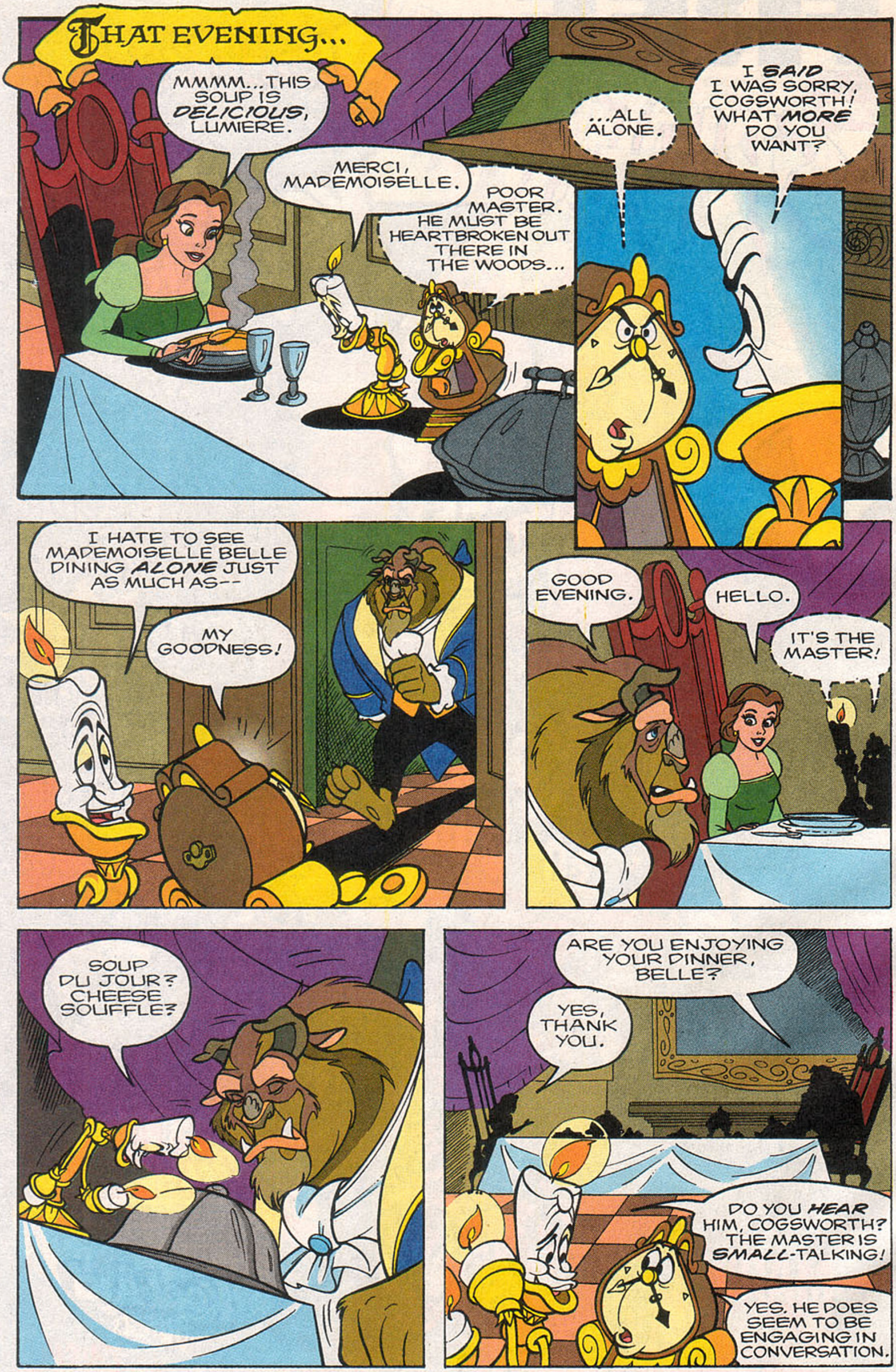
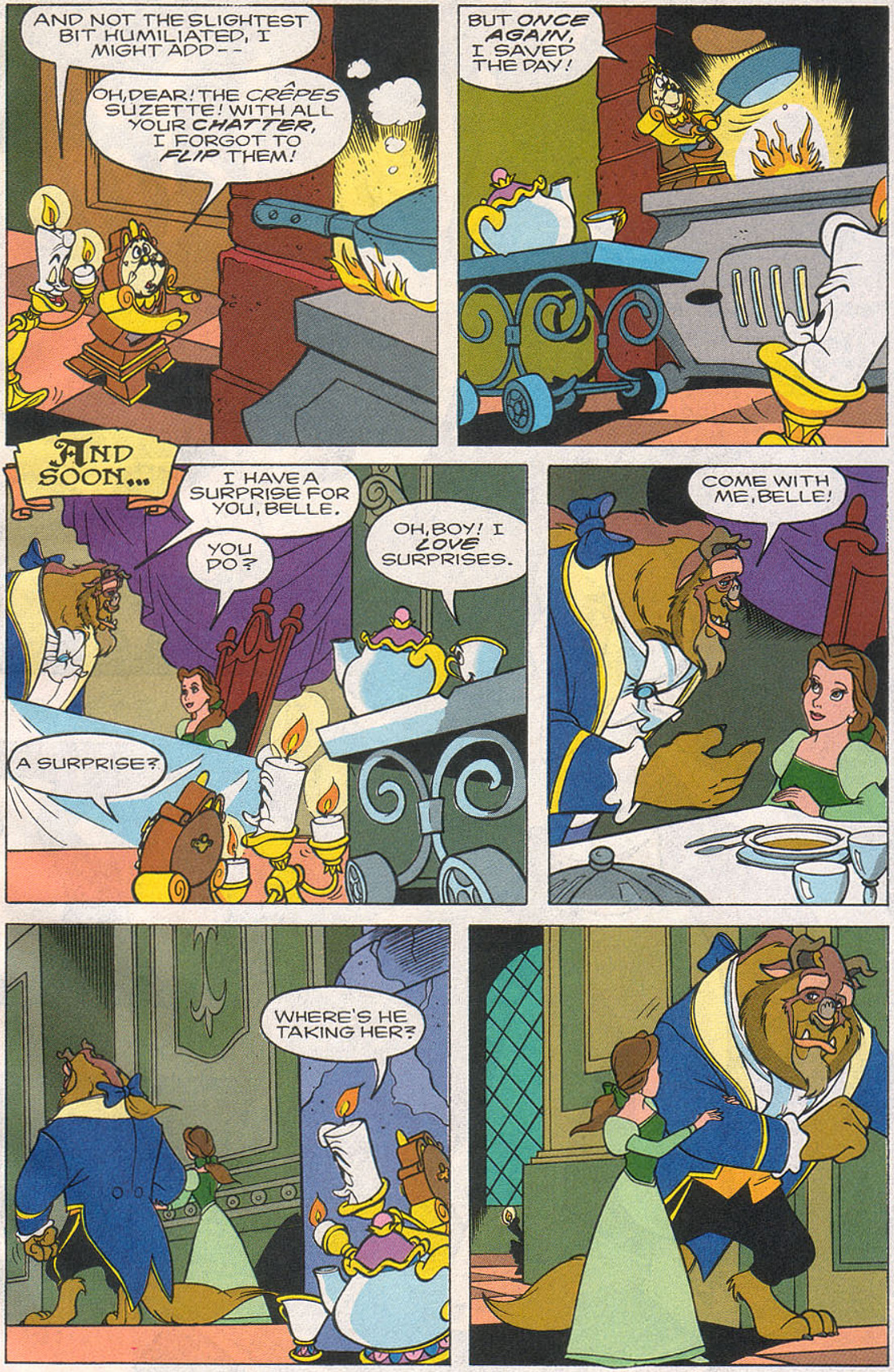
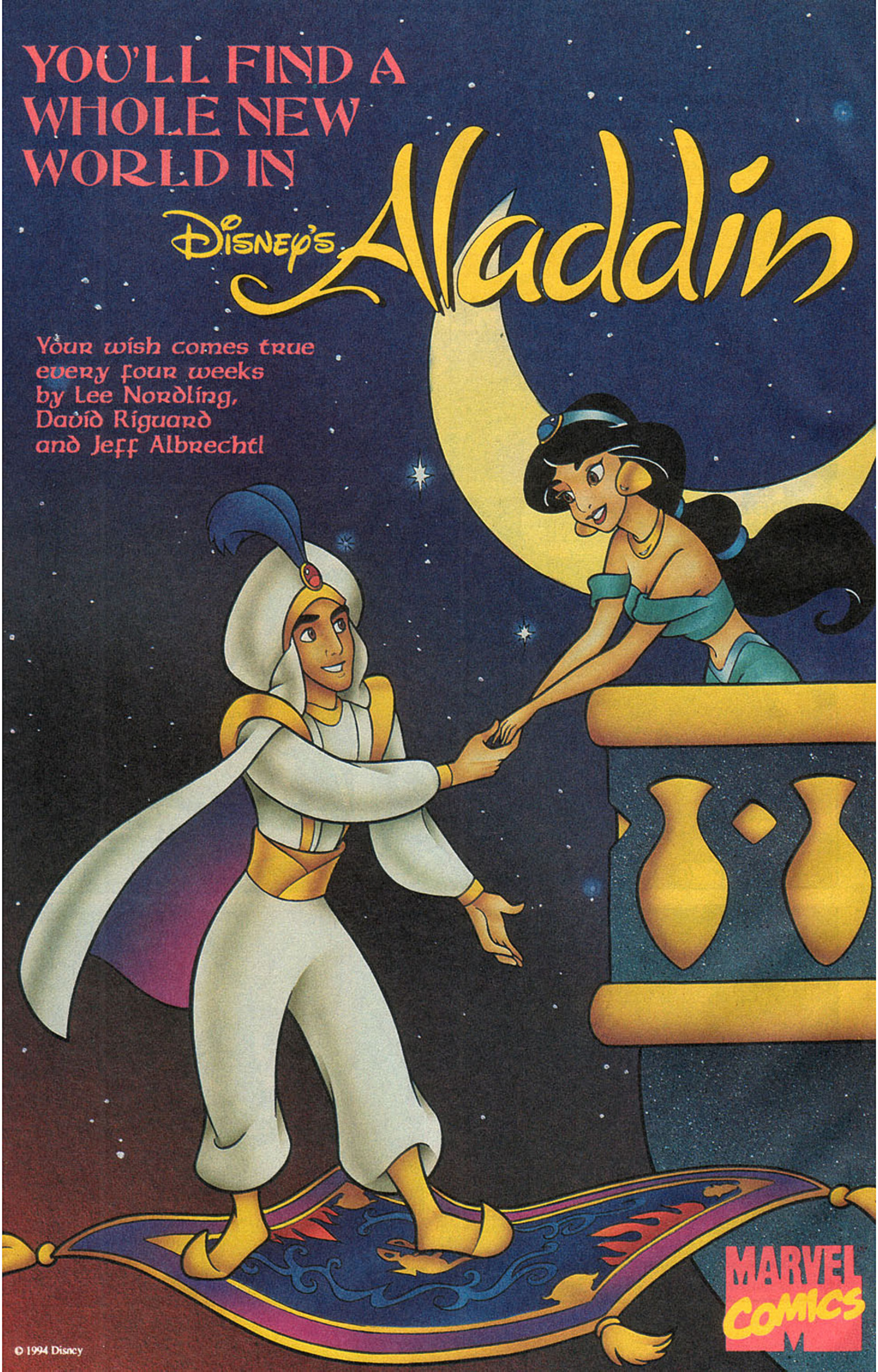

THAT EVENING...
MMMM... THIS SOUP IS *DELICIOUS*, LUMIERE.
MERCI, MADEMOISELLE.
POOR MASTER. HE MUST BE HEARTBROKEN OUT THERE IN THE WOODS...
...ALL ALONE.
I *SAID* I WAS SORRY, COGSWORTH! WHAT *MORE* DO YOU WANT?
I HATE TO SEE MADEMOISELLE BELLE DINING *ALONE* JUST AS MUCH AS--
MY GOODNESS!
GOOD EVENING.
HELLO.
IT'S THE MASTER!
SOUP DU JOUR? CHEESE SOUFFLE?
ARE YOU ENJOYING YOUR DINNER, BELLE?
YES, THANK YOU.
DO YOU *HEAR* HIM, COGSWORTH? THE MASTER IS *SMALL*-TALKING!
YES. HE DOES SEEM TO BE ENGAGING IN CONVERSATION.


AND NOT THE SLIGHTEST BIT HUMILIATED, I MIGHT ADD - -
OH, DEAR! THE CRÊPES SUZETTE! WITH ALL YOUR CHATTER, I FORGOT TO FLIP THEM!
BUT ONCE AGAIN, I SAVED THE DAY!
AND SOON...
I HAVE A SURPRISE FOR YOU, BELLE.
YOU DO?
OH, BOY! I LOVE SURPRISES.
A SURPRISE?
COME WITH ME, BELLE!
WHERE'S HE TAKING HER?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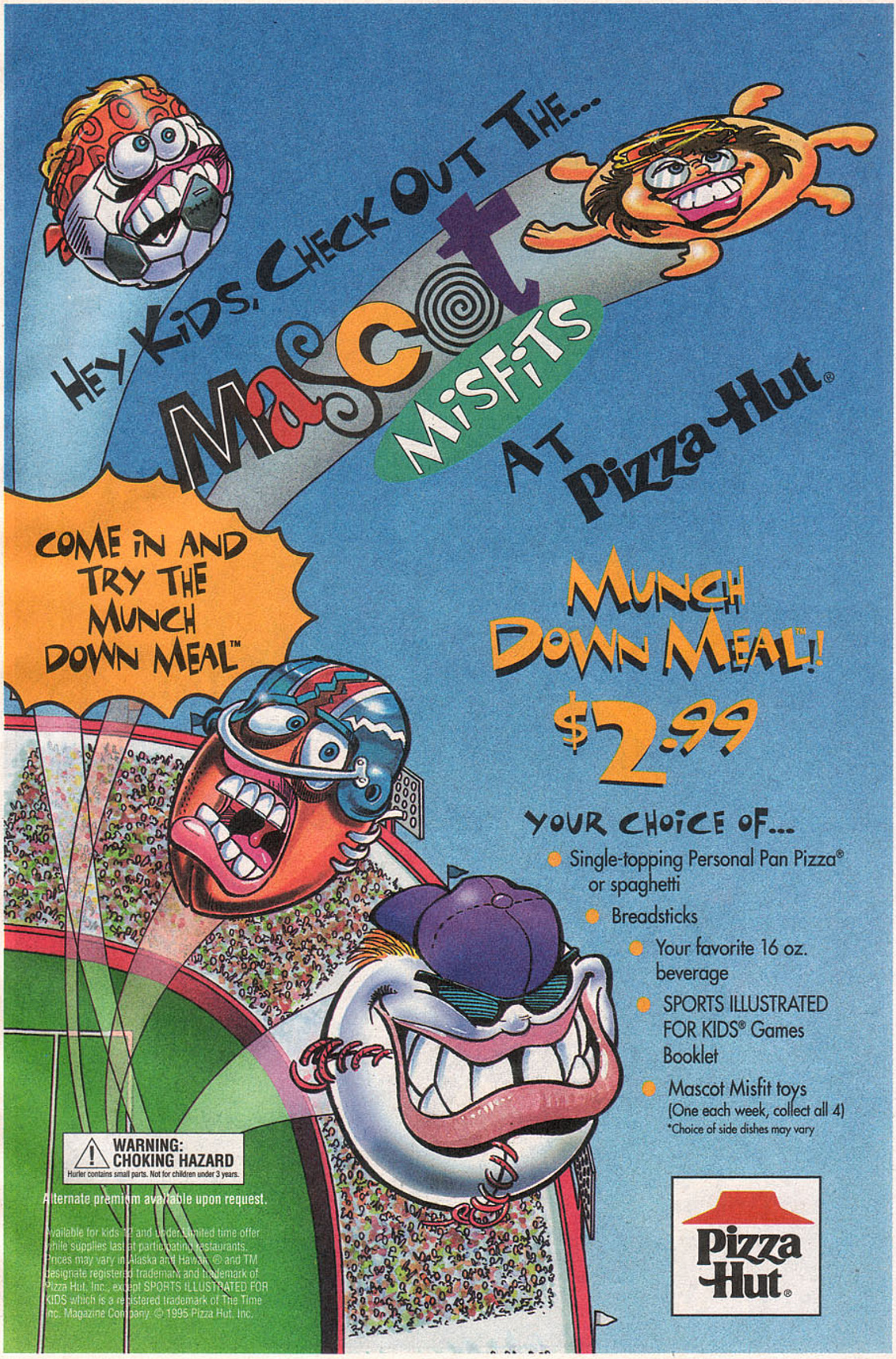
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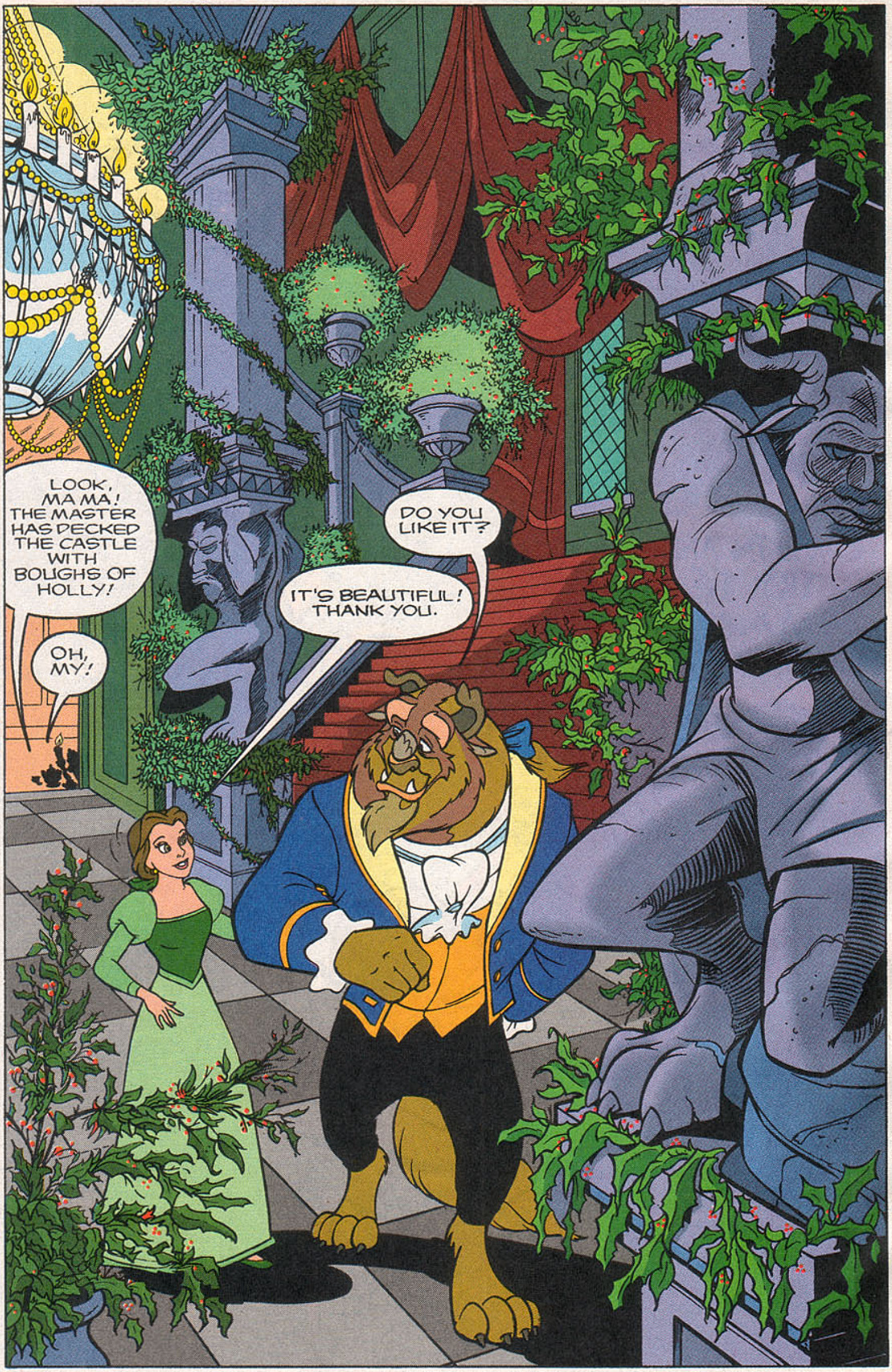
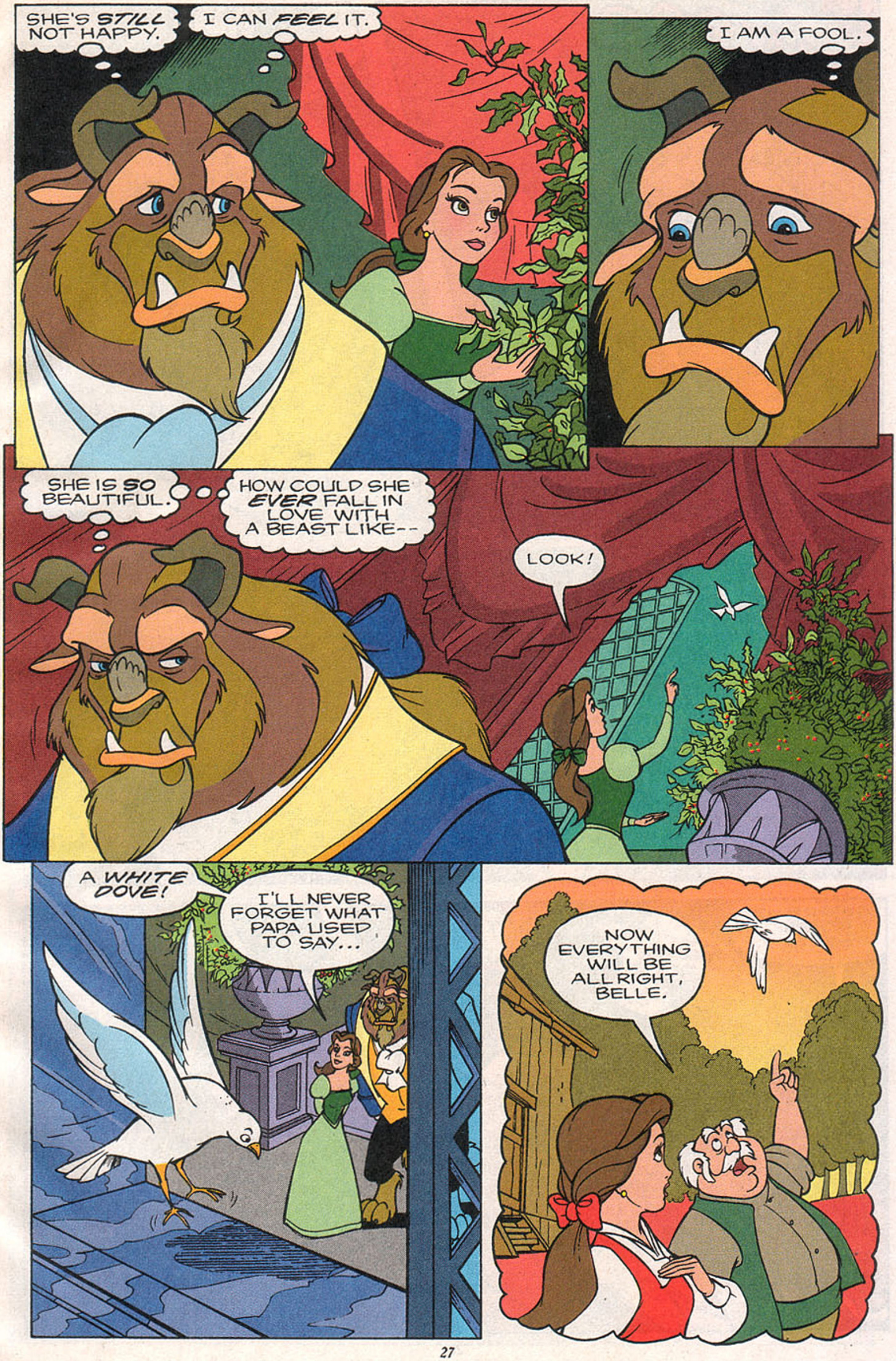
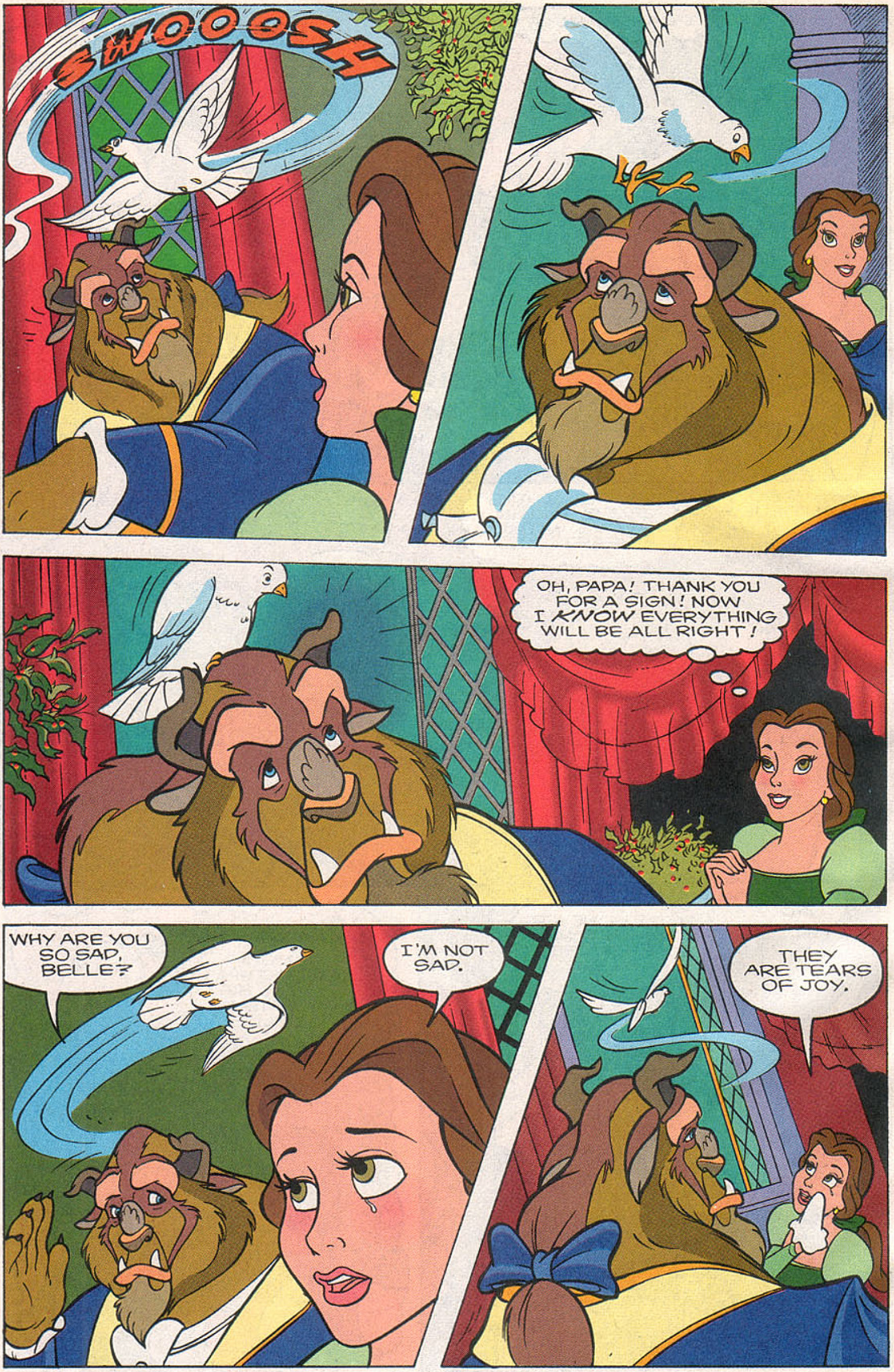
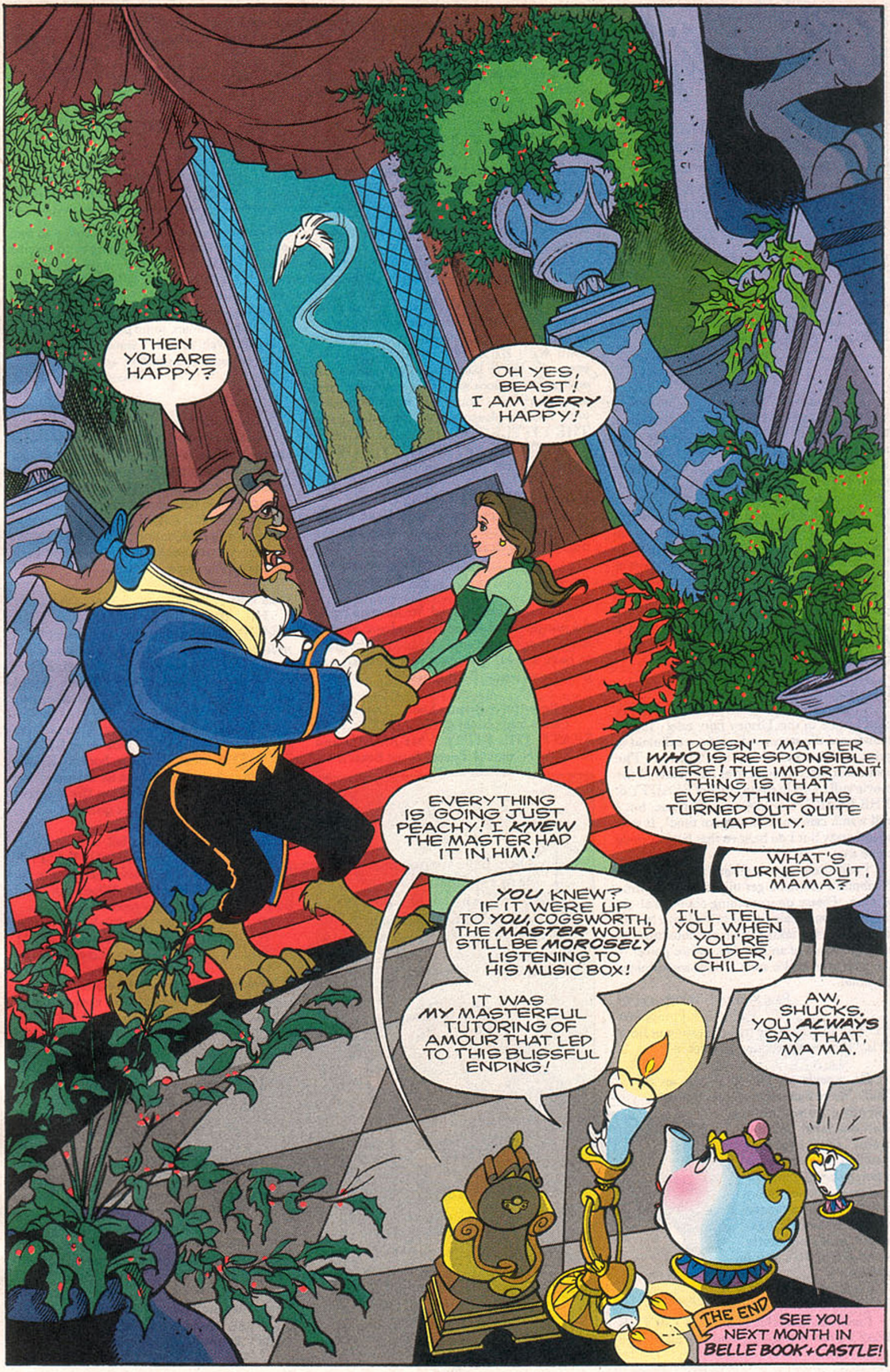

LOOK, MA MA! THE MASTER HAS DECKED THE CASTLE WITH BOUGHS OF HOLLY!
OH, MY!
DO YOU LIKE IT?
IT'S BEAUTIFUL! THANK YOU.


SHE'S *STILL* NOT HAPPY.
I CAN *FEEL* IT.
I AM A FOOL.
SHE IS *SO* BEAUTIFUL.
HOW COULD SHE *EVER* FALL IN LOVE WITH A BEAST LIKE--
LOOK!
A *WHITE DOVE*!
I'LL NEVER FORGET WHAT PAPA USED TO SAY...
NOW EVERYTHING WILL BE ALL RIGHT, BELLE.


SWOOOSH
OH, PAPA! THANK YOU FOR A SIGN! NOW I *KNOW* EVERYTHING WILL BE ALL RIGHT!
WHY ARE YOU SO SAD, BELLE?
I'M NOT SAD.
THEY ARE TEARS OF JOY.


THEN YOU ARE HAPPY?
OH YES, BEAST! I AM VERY HAPPY!
EVERYTHING IS GOING JUST PEACHY! I KNEW THE MASTER HAD IT IN HIM!
YOU KNEW? IF IT WERE UP TO YOU, COGSWORTH, THE MASTER WOULD STILL BE MOROSELY LISTENING TO HIS MUSIC BOX!
IT WAS MY MASTERFUL TUTORING OF AMOUR THAT LED TO THIS BLISSFUL ENDING!
IT DOESN'T MATTER WHO IS RESPONSIBLE, LUMIERE! THE IMPORTANT THING IS THAT EVERYTHING HAS TURNED OUT QUITE HAPPILY.
WHAT'S TURNED OUT, MAMA?
I'LL TELL YOU WHEN YOU'RE OLDER, CHILD.
AW, SHUCKS. YOU ALWAYS SAY THAT, MAMA.
THE END
SEE YOU NEXT MONTH IN BELLE BOOK + CASTLE!

Beautiful & BEASTLY Mail

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Please include your name, age, and address, though we will gladly withhold that information upon request.

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Dear Beauty & the Beast,

My name is Marissa Ornelas and I have cerebral palsy. I am the biggest fan of BEAUTY & THE BEAST comic and the movie. Why don't they make an animated TV cartoon? I just love the comic book, I have all seven! I also really like THE LITTLE MERMAID and ALADDIN comics!

Marissa Ornelas, age 23
Encino, CA

Hi, Marissa! Many of our fans have written suggesting that Disney's Beauty & the Beast would make a wonderful animated series — it would be great to see Belle and Beast, Mrs. Potts and Chip, and all our favorites starring on their own TV show! Unfortunately, there are currently no plans for a B&B TV show. The limited timeline of this classic love story makes it difficult to support an ongoing television series, not to mention what a costly undertaking animation is. Luckily for all of us B&B fanatics, we have the award-winning Beauty & the Beast movie on video to brighten up our screens, and the hilariously entertaining BEAUTY & THE BEAST comics to liven up our reading adventures! See you next month!

Dear Beautiful People,

I believe you people of Marvel do more than justice to this Disney fairy tale! You've transferred the story medium from celluloid to print without sacrificing any quality. The spark that casts its spell over our hearts in the movie still burns in every issue of BEAUTY & THE BEAST. I'm a 24-year-old nurse, but I still watch cartoons in my spare time! It may sound crazy but I do believe that fairy tales do come true.

I can't help but mention though, that the Bimbette's colors do get mixed up from time to time. Please do something about this! As for the art, on a scale from 1 to 10, I give it a 20! Thank you for taking your precious time to hear the views of an avid fan. More power to the staff who make such a mini-masterpiece possible!

Paul Steven I. Veloso, age 24
Pasay City, Philippines

P.S. The answer to the trivia question in B&B #8 is, "If it's not baroque, don't fix it!"

On a scale of A to Z, you're an A+, Paul! We're flattered to get such heartwarming compliments from our fans! Without them, our creators wouldn't have the inspiration to bring you your favorite stories every month! And congrats, you've quoted Cogsworth quite correctly from B&B #8's trivia question!

Dear Beautiful & Beastly Mail,

I read the first issue of BEAUTY & THE BEAST a few months ago and I loved it! I've never read a comic before! I hope your next issue of B&B is as good!

Hannah Walser, age 5 1/2
Arlington Heights, IL

We think it's wonderful that you're reading at such a young age, Hannah! And what better way to practice your reading skills than with BEAUTY & THE BEAST comics!? We're sure that B&B comics will enchant you more and more with each new issue you read. You might want to further your reading pleasure with our other titles, THE LITTLE MERMAID, ALADDIN, THE DISNEY AFTERNOON and BARBIE! We know you'll love them!

Dear BEAUTY & THE BEAST,

I love your comics and I love the movie! Do you think that Disney will come out with Beauty & the Beast #2?

Kayla Hannan, age 10
Pittsburgh, PA

Awesome idea, Kayla! We have no doubt the imaginative folks at Disney have already tossed that idea around. Wouldn't it be great to have a B&B TV show like Marissa suggested, *and* a new B&B movie!?

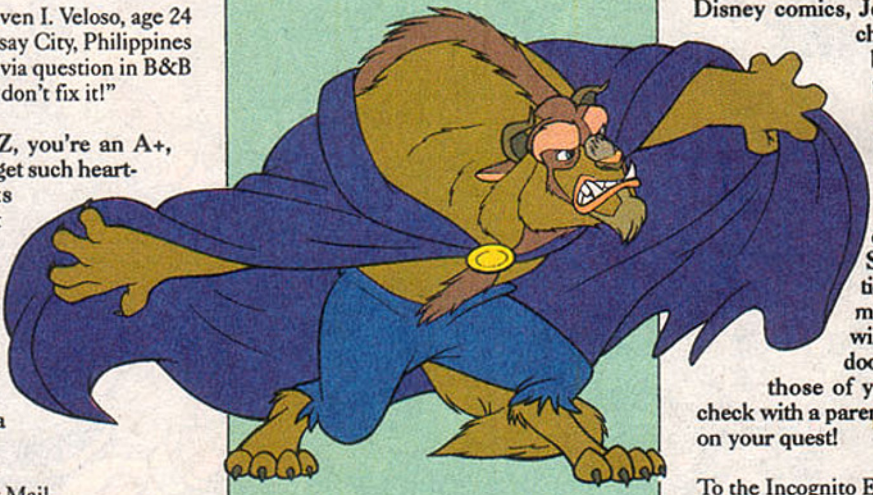
Dear Beautiful & Beastly Mail,

I am a huge fan of the BEAUTY & THE BEAST, THE LITTLE MERMAID and ALADDIN comics! Beauty & the Beast is my all time favorite movie so I was thrilled to find out from my dad that it was going to be a comic book. I have loved every single one you've made! Is THE LION KING going to be a comic series? I hope so, I loved the first one! I am also writing because I noticed in the ALADDIN comics, some people have wanted pen pals. Well, so do I! I want many people to write, so could you print my address?!

Melissa Giorgio, age 11
9 Horton Rd.
Valley Stream, NY 11581

TRIVIA QUESTION:

To help Belle see past the Beast's gruffness, the servants advise him to give Belle a dashing, debonair smile, impress her with his wit, shower her with compliments — but above all, he must what?



For the answer to B&B #8 trivia question, see Paul or Therese's letter!

We're more than happy to help you round up some new friends, Melissa! What a great way to share the excitement, adventure, humor and romance of all the Marvel/Disney comic books! Word from the pride-land is that THE LION KING's Timon and Pumbaa will be debuting on television *and* in their very own comic book series right here at Marvel starting this fall!

Dear B&B,

Hi! After reading BEAUTY & THE BEAST #8 to my little sister, Cassandra, I noticed the trivia question and I know the answer — "If it's not baroque, don't fix it!"

Therese Heckenkamp, age 13
Pewaukee, WI

What a great sister you are, Therese! It's sweet of you to read your little sister BEAUTY & THE BEAST comic books. By the looks of it though, *you* must be a Disney fan yourself — you've given us the correct answer to the B&B #8 trivia question!

Dear Beautiful & Beastly Mail,

I just found out about BEAUTY & THE BEAST comic books! I love them! But the only one I could find was #7. Where can I find B&B #1-6? Keep up the good work!

Your new but happy reader,
Jessie A. Spragge, age 11
Livermore, CA

Welcome to the wonderful world of Marvel/Disney comics, Jessie! You may want to check with your local comic book shops or newsstands to see if they have any back issues of BEAUTY & THE BEAST. To guarantee that you don't miss a single future issue of B&B, you may want to consider subscribing. Simply fill out the subscription form in this very issue, mail it in, and B&B comics will be delivered right to your doorstep every month! For those of you under 18, be sure to check with a parent or adult first! Good luck on your quest!

To the Incognito Editors of B&B,

I enjoy reading the BEAUTY & THE BEAST comic books monthly and I think

each one is well done! However, it might make for interesting stories if the Beast finally won Belle's love and turned back into his princely form; then they could live happily ever after in the castle. I'm also wondering if Disney has considered a Beauty & the Beast cartoon as part of The Disney Afternoon lineup on weekday afternoons? I know I'd watch it and I really think others would, too!

A satisfied reader,
Nora Randolph, age 13
New York, NY

Thanks for taking the time to write to us, Nora! As you have read, with a little help from his friends Beast is slowly but surely winning Belle's affection! Half the excitement of the BEAUTY & THE BEAST storyline is Belle finding the prince within the beast! One never knows what intrigue and delight the tale as old as time will bring, but be sure to keep reading!

Dear Beautiful & Beastly Mail,

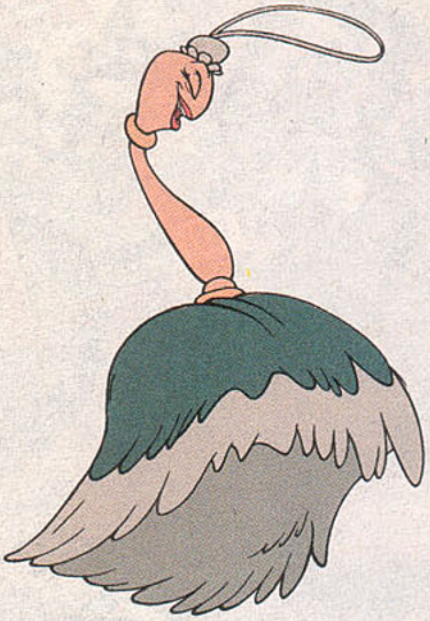
Congratulations on your most romantic issue ever, BEAUTY & THE BEAST #8! I love the Beauty & the Beast movie and I collect anything/everything to do with it or your comics. Art being an interest to me, I enjoy drawing the main characters. As a fan of Beauty & the Beast, I have often wondered what became of the characters after the story. The tale ends with the Beast becoming a prince and to me it seems that the B&B storyline we all know and love is but a prologue to an even larger and more fantastic story yet to be written! During the last month or so, I dreamed up a story concerning the events after the spell was broken. Is there possibly a way I could get Disney interested if I wrote the story and sent it to them?

Thanks for reading my letter and for keeping the romance of the film alive for all!

Always your most beastly fan,
Jodie Butler, age 18
Stockton, IL

P.S. Could you please send out your comic books faster to us subscribers? It's annoying for me to go to a comic book store and find they already have the magazine a half month before I do! Thanks!

***Merci beaucoup*, Jodie! We hope you enjoyed this issue with the blasts from our enchanted objects' pasts before the spell was cast. (We're poets and we don't know it!) And if we know the minds at Disney, we're sure they have pondered the idea of continuing the love story of the century. What makes Beast's and Belle's passion for each other so unique is that they fall in love with one another for what's on the inside, *not* the outside! And Jodie, you couldn't get better inspiration for your art efforts than from our very talented B&B penciler, Cosme Quartieri! Happy drawing!**



Dear Beautiful and Beastly Mail,

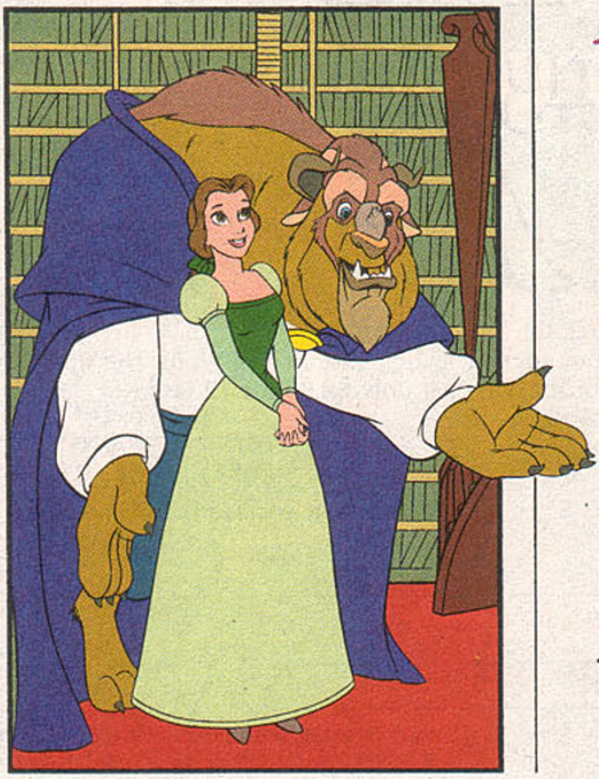
I am 12-years-old and I'm a big fan of BEAUTY & THE BEAST! I love it! I especially liked the cover of issue #2. I really enjoy reading these comic books. I always go to the store to get the next new one. You really do a good job of drawing. I just thought you could make the stories a little longer. But I'm so glad you guys make these comic books, I love to read them! I read alot, and I love BEAUTY & THE BEAST!

Deanna Hartman
Waterloo, IA

Reading is a terrific thing to do, Deanna, and we're glad it's BEAUTY & THE BEAST comics that you've chosen for your reading pleasure! We wish we had room to make the stories longer! But since we don't, we like to tempt you to keep coming back for more and more with each exciting new issue!

Next Month:

"Belle, Book and Castle" - Lumiere and Cogsworth are at it again, arguing over which of them will chronicle the castle's memoirs! Belle is crushed when she discovers her favorite book is ruined, and Beast's insensitivity reminds her he's still a beast after all!



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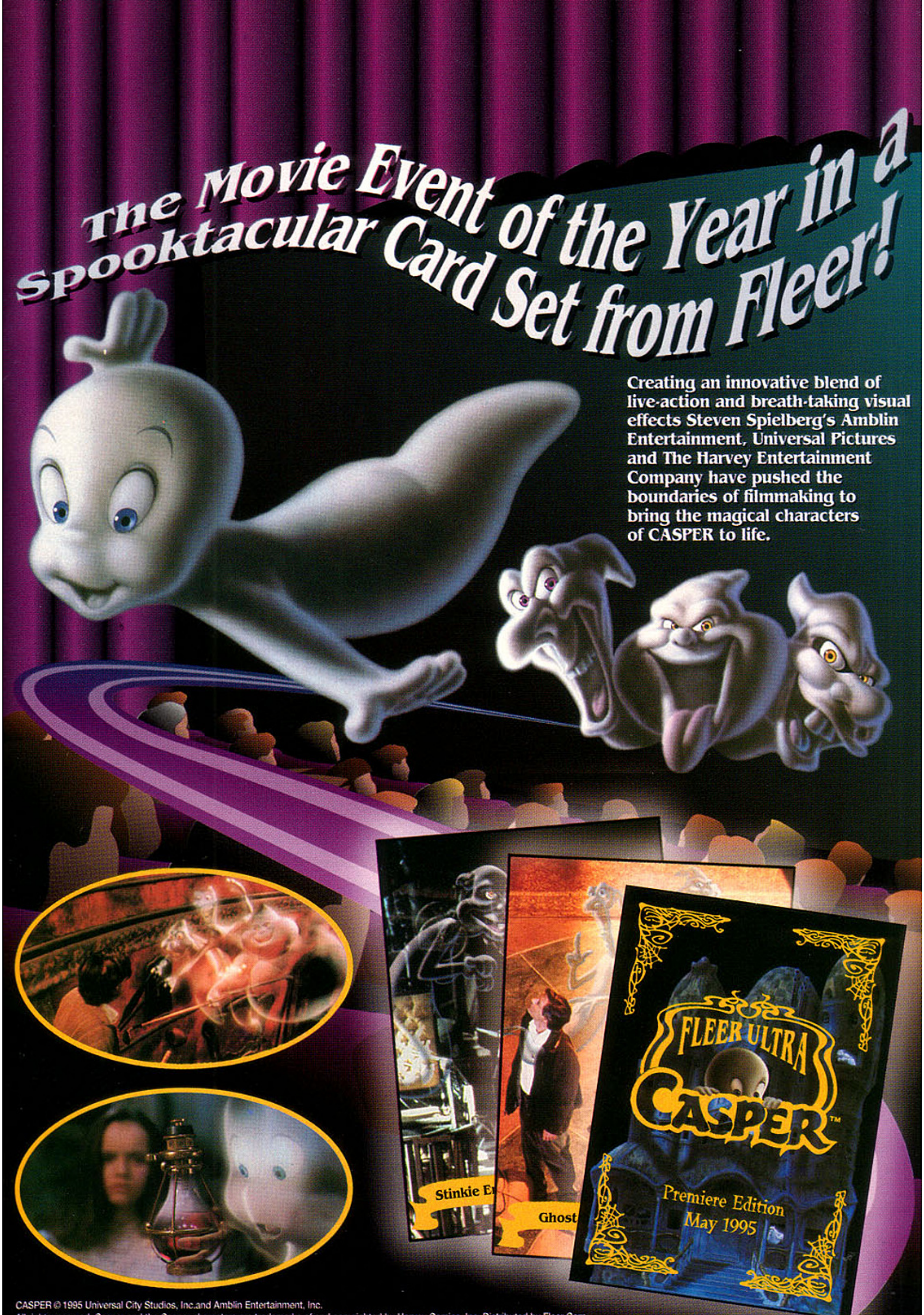
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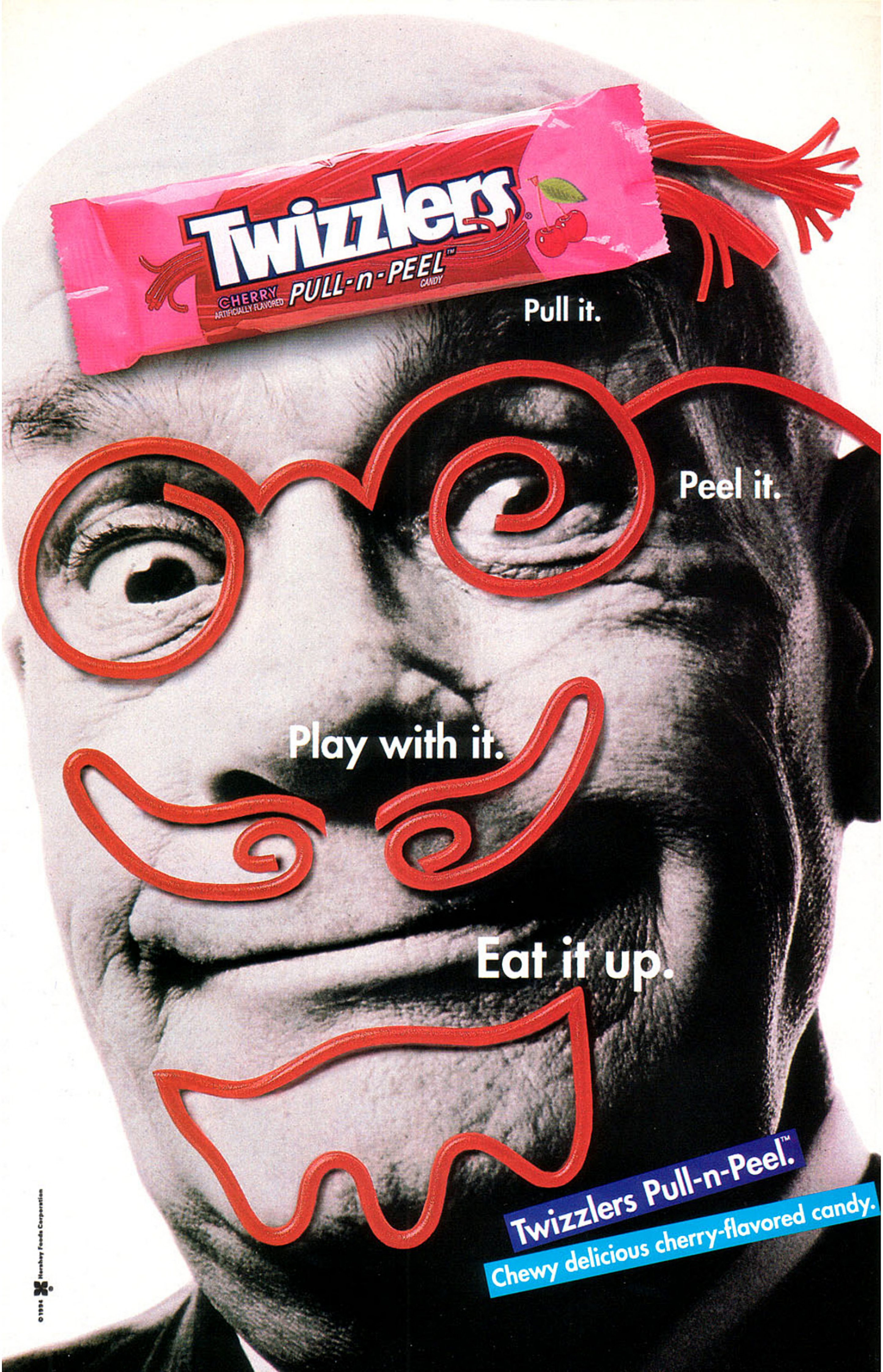
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